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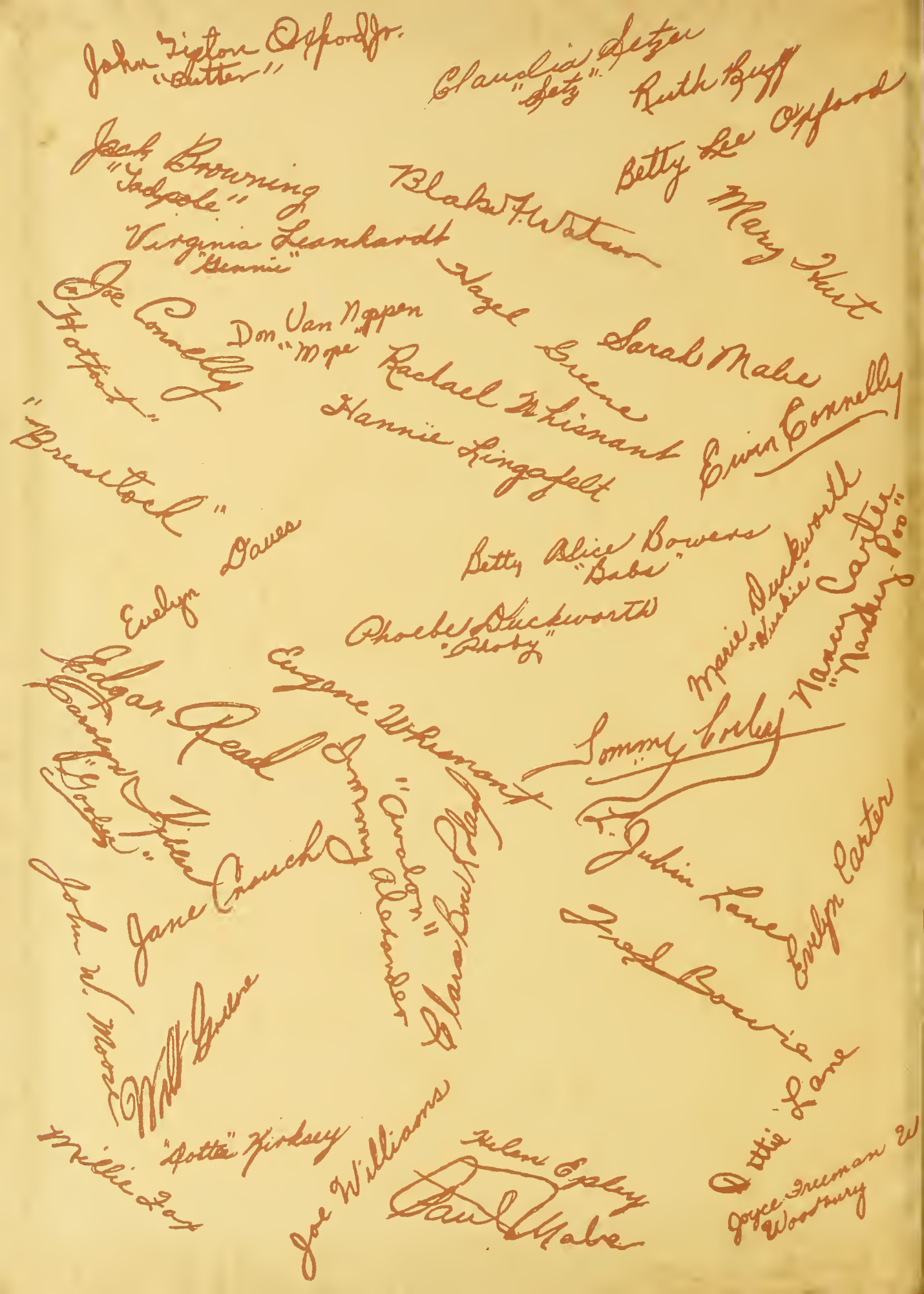
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Blake F. Watson
Virginia Leonhardt
"Ginnie"
Hazel Greene
Sarah Mabe
Joe Connelly
"Hotfoot"
Don "Mope" Van Nuppen
Rachael Whisnant
Erwin Connelly
"Breastock"
Hannie Lingafelt
Betty Alice Bowers
"Babe"
Marie Duckworth
"Duckie"
Nancy Carter
"Nantucket"
Evelyn
Phoebe Duckworth
"Pooby"
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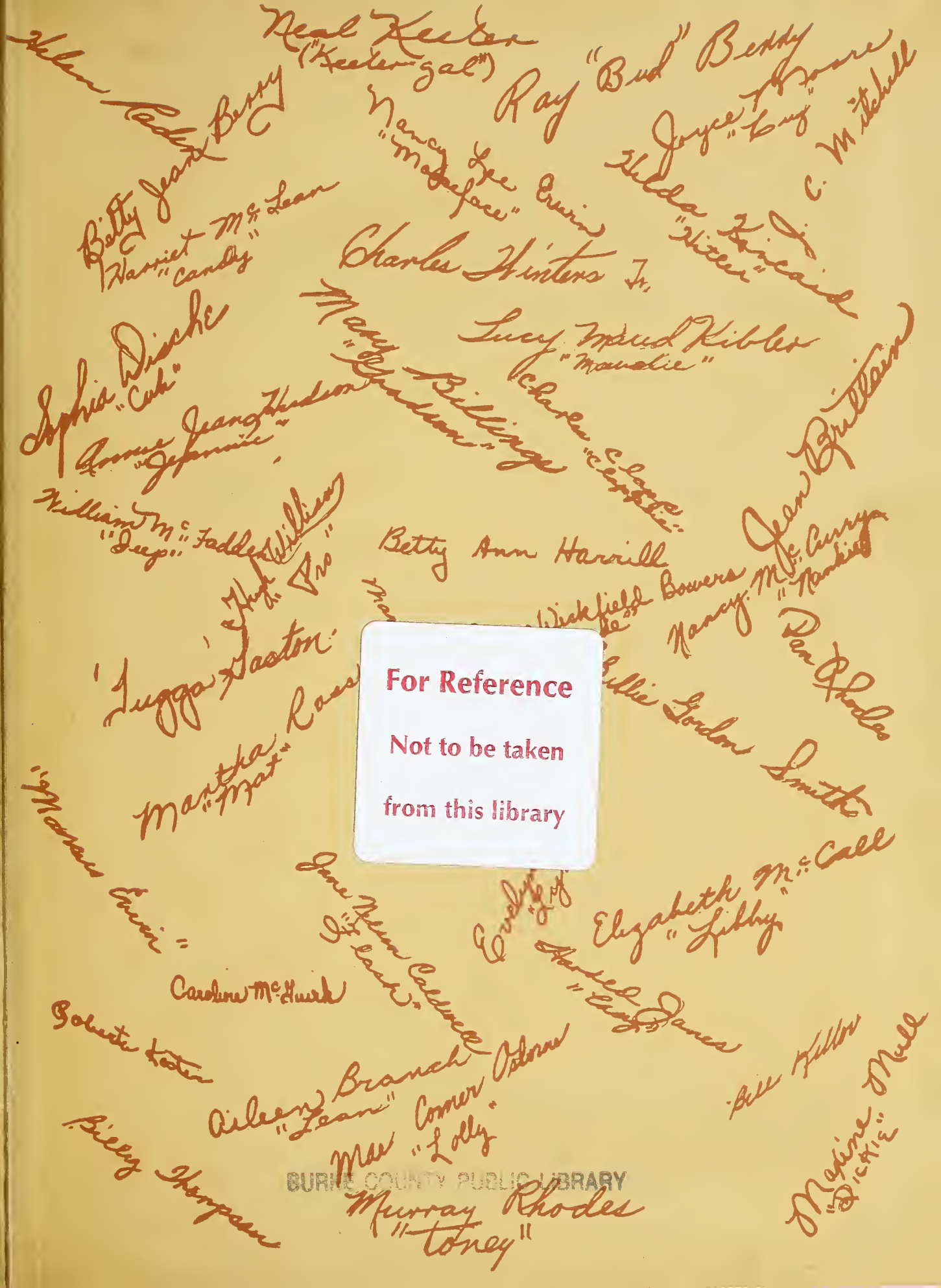


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# Foreword

THE PURPOSE of this, our second volume of CAT'S TALE, is to preserve the friendships and memories of our happy high school years. If, between the covers of this slender volume, we have succeeded in capturing a small part of these golden days, then we have achieved our purpose.

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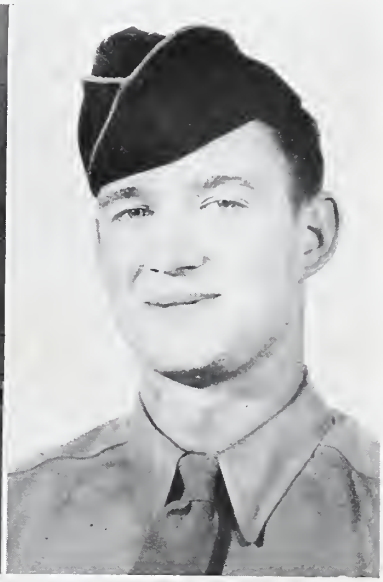
# Dedication

We take great pride in dedicating this annual to those students and teachers who have gone from Morganton High School to serve in the armed forces.

We pause to honor the two who have given their all in this great struggle for freedom — William Fisher and William Mabe. Their names are inscribed forever on our hearts.

William Fisher
Class of 1940



William Mabe
Class of 1941

1. Woo! Woo!
2. The two "flashes."
3. What's wrong, Steib?
4. What's this, a leg show?
5. What's so interesting?
6. On friendly terms, anyway.
7. "Casanova" Jim.
8. Which one's Pittsy?
9. Blondie.
10. You couldn't be smoking, Leighton!
11. Can they dish it out!
12. Having fun, W. A.?

# Administration

# SCHOOL BOARD

Huffman Carter Tate Moran
Bolick Hamilton Wonner Berry Walker

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J. W. Carter
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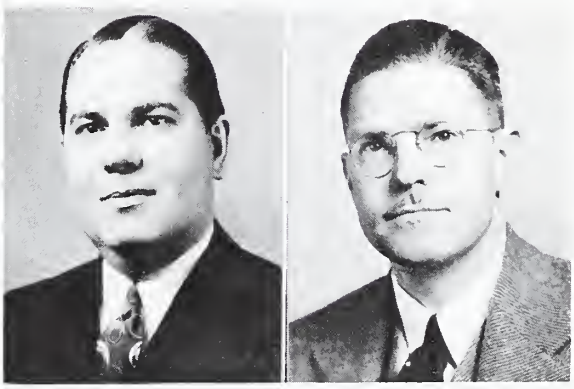

Mr. William S. Hamilton
*Superintendent*
Duke University
A.B.

Mr. J. E. Gardner
*Principal*
Davidson College
A.B.
University of Pittsburgh
M.Ed.

# FACULTY

HARRIETTE R. BARBOUR
Asbury, A.B.
University of Georgia, M.A.
*Bible*
"Her face betokened all things dear and good,
The light of somewhat yet to come was there."

MADELINE BROOKS
Atlantic Christian College, A.B.
*Mathematics*
"Thy wit's as quick as a greyhound's mouth; it catches."

MRS. MARY K. CARTER
W. C. U. N. C., A.B.
*English IV, History I*
"Smiling always, with a never-fading serenity of countenance, and flourishing an immortal youth."

LETHA COPELAND
Flora Macdonald College, A.B.
*Mathematics*
"As merry as the day is long."

RUTH CORDLE
W. C. U. N. C., A.B.
*Commercial*
"Those blue violets, her eyes."

SUSAN FORBES
W. C. U. N. C., B.S.
*Commercial*
"See where she comes, apparell'd like the spring."

MRS. C. J. GOODMAN
W. C. U. N. C., A.B.
*English II, III*
"Patient of toil, serene amidst alarms."

MARY LEE GRAY
University of N. C., A.B.
*Spanish I and II, Dramatics*
"Grace was in all her steps, heaven in her eye,
In every gesture, dignity and love."

THOMAS J. GREENLEE
Maryville, A.B.
*Industrial Arts, Aeronautics*
"He gave with a jest and he gave his best;
Give him the best to come."

MRS. MARY M. HAGER
Meredith, A.B.
*Reading, Science*
"Her ways are of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace."

# FACULTY

MRS. ELSIE W. HALL
Western Carolina Teachers' College, B.S.
*Biology, Geography*
"I everywhere am thinking
Of thy blue eyes' sweet smile."

MYRNA HATHCOCK
Pfeiffer Junior College, Appalachian Teachers' College, B.S.
*Physical Education*
"The joy of youth and health her eyes displayed."

JANE S. HOWELL
Appalachian Teachers' College, B.S.
*Librarian*
"And still they gazed, and still the wonder grew
That one small head could carry all it knew."

VIRGINIA A. HOWELL
W. C. U. N. C., A.B.
*Mathematics*
"A face with gladness overspread!
Soft smiles, by human kindness bred!"

MYRA SUE KILLIAN
Brevard, Two Years
W. C. U. N. C., B.S.
*Home Economics*
"Haste thee, Nymph, and bring with thee
Jest, and youthful jollity."

MRS. DOROTHEA I. LIPPARD
Newberry College, A.B.
*English, Science*
"A lovely lady, garmented in light
From her own beauty."

CLARA LEE MCCOMB
Winthrop College, B.S.
*Biology, Chemistry, History I*
"Bright as the sun her eyes the gazers strike,
And, like the sun, they shine on all alike."

VIRGINIA D. MCCLURE
Tusculum College, A.B.
*Latin, History I*
"It would talk;
Oh, how it talked!"

R. A. PARHAM
Mississippi State, B.S.
*Vocational Agriculture*
"His high-erected thoughts looked down upon
The smiling valley of his fruitful heart."

MARTHA PENLAND
Queens College, A.B.
*Social Science*
"Her air, her manners, all who saw admired."

# FACULTY

OTIS R. PETERSON
Maryville, A.B.
*Physical Education*
"A wonderful twinkle shone in his eye."

MRS. MARTHA A. REINHARDT
Greensboro College, A.B.
*English III, Dean of Girls*
"A daughter of the gods, divinely tall
And most divinely fair."

MRS. BENNETT RIDDLE
Bessie Tift College, A.B.
*History III*
"Her voice was ever soft
Gentle and low, an excellent thing in woman."

FLOYD F. STEIB
DePaul University, B.M.E.
*Band*
"Sir, your wit ambles well; it goes easily."

PEARL F. TETER
Elon College, A.B.
*English I, History I*
"Too wise to be mistaken; still
Too good to be unkind."

ALICE WEBER
Elon College, A.B.
*Mathematics*
"She sat like patience on a monument
Smiling at grief."

*Not Pictured*

HERBERT R. NETTLES
JEAN WHITAKER

# SIMILES

AS SWEET AS MISS BARBOUR'S SMILE. . . . In an uproar equal to Mrs. Carter's Senior English classes. . . . Like Miss Brook's wisecracks, short and snappy. . . . As calm and serene as Mrs. Riddle, like a quiet sea on a sunny day. . . . A continual banter between Lawrence Harrison and Miss Forbes, as unceasing as perpetual motion. . . . As interested in human nature as Mrs. Reinhardt, with an ear for gossip and eyes open for new love affairs. . . . More interesting than a conversation between Mrs. Hall and Miss McClure. . . . As blue as Miss Penland's eyes, which put the sky itself to shame. . . . Mrs. Hager, equal to any situation. . . . Hotter than an argument between Miss McCombs and Henry Wilson. . . . As dry as Mr. Greenlee's wit. . . . As human as Miss Gray and as unforgettable as Mr. Gardner.

1. The Dis-Honor Society!
2. Three Belles.
3. A blonde and a brunette.
4. M. H. S.'s faithful traffic cop.
5. The bathing beauty.
6. Why the sad look, J. C.?
7. Is it good, gals?
8. The three——??!!
9. Where'd they get the jeep?
10. All dressed up.
11. That's one way to get there.
12. Mr. and Mrs.

# Classes

## Senior Officers

*President*
JUBIN LANE

*Vice-President*
WALTER GREENE

*Secretary*
ESTALEEN DIGH

*Treasurer*
MARY CATHERINE CONNELLY

*Adviser*
MRS. CARTER

MOTTO: *The road called toil leads to the city of success.*

FLOWER: *Red Rose.*

COLORS: *Blue and White.*

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## Mascots

JERRY COHEN

BETSY HUTCHINS

# CLASS OF 1944

### Dorothy Alexander

Home Economics Club, 2; Handicraft Club, 3.

*Dorothy's long beautiful hair is the envy of her classmates. She minds her own business, but if you need help, just call on her. How does she remain so sweet and unruffled?*

### James Davis Alexander

Science Club, 1; Government Club, 2, 3; Band, 2; First Aid Club, 3.

*Jimmie is that plump little boy you always see chuckling jollily. Besides being smart in school work, "Avalon" adds harmony to the clarinet section of our band.*

### Dorothy Alley

H. R. President, 1, 2, 3; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Good Manners Club, 1; Chorus, 2; Boosters' Club, 3; Monogram Club, Secretary, 4.

*Sweet and attractive is our Dottie. She bubbles over with joy and finds a way into everyone's heart. She plays basketball well, too. Her lovely disposition will always be remembered by her classmates.*

### Hazel Annis

Debating Club, 1; H. R. Program Committee, 1; Home Arts, 2; Handicraft Club, 3; H. R. Chaplain, 3.

*Always found on the front seat busily studying, Hazel has made a high scholastic record. She is conscientious, industrious, and often worries over having missed even one test question.*

### Betty Beach

Dramatics, 1, 2; Chorus, 3.

*She sings like a lark and always stays happy. Umm—that complexion is truly "like peaches and cream." Shining hair, brown eyes, and a complexion like hers make a very fetching girl.*

### Lola Beck

Hobby Club, 1; Business Club, 2; Boosters' Club, 3.

*A few years from now, people will say, "Who is that darling stenographer? She's so little!" It will be Lola Mae. Although she is little, she really applies herself and does good work.*

### Betty Jean Berry

Band, 1, 2; Hobby Club, 1; Home Economics Club, 2; Debating Club, 2; First Aid Club, 3.

*Betty Jean, with that naturally curly hair, and a sense of humor, can always be depended upon to keep us laughing. She is already a grand typist and has a mind for business. M. H. S. will be sorry to lose her.*

### Ray Berry

Lincolnton High School, 1; Football, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 2, 3; Boosters' Club, 2.

*What can one say for such a likeable, personality-plus Senior? His resemblance to Sinatra cannot be overlooked, and we know he doesn't mind the girls swooning over him.*

### Mary Goodson Billings

Music Appreciation Club, 1; Class Treasurer, 1; Drum Majorette, 1, 2, 3; Dramatics Club, 2, 3; Red Cross Work, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4, Secretary, 4; Bridge Club, 3; H. R. Representative, 2, 3; Cat's Tale Staff, 4; Sponsor Homecoming Game, 4.

*We take off our hats to Mary and admire her energy, poise, and high ideals. One with so many good qualities must certainly have a successful future. Good luck to one of our best Seniors!*

### Audrey Bolick

H. R. Secretary, 1; Home Arts Club, 2; Handicraft Club, 3.

*Her misty blond hair frames her heart-shaped face like a halo. And she has brains and personality! What more could one want?*

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### Agnes Wickfield Bowers

Student Council, 1, 2, 3; Golf Club, 1, 2; H. R. President, 1, 2; Citizenship Medal, 1; Glee Club, 2; Honor Society Usher, 2; H. R. Treasurer, 3; Red Cross Work, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4; Cat's Tale Staff, 3, 4.

*A case of brains and beauty combined. Her winning smile and hearty greeting for everyone have proved a tonic on many a blue Monday. Enthusiastic, dependable—a good student, a good sport—that's "Aggie."*

### Betty Alice Bowers

Americanism Club, 1; Photography Club, 2, 3, Secretary, 2; H. R. Representative, 4; Sponsor Homecoming Game, 4; Honor Society, 4; Cat's Tale Staff, 4; O. P. A. Volunteer Work, 4.

*That Bowers girl! Personality, sweet disposition, good humor, and other attractive qualities make up "Babs." We hear that she is making a good stenographer.*

### Fred Bowie

Washington Irving High, Clarksburg, Va., 1, 2; Junior State Guard, 3; Cat's Tale Staff, 4.

*Hurry, hurry, hurry—the eighth wonder of the world! M. H. S.'s math and science genius. Our Fred has a smile all his own, which the girls seem to find very fetching.*

### Harold Finley Bradshaw

Home Guard, 2, 3.

*Finley has that mysterious sparkle in his eye that warns of mischief. We hear that this good-looking brunette is a whizz when it comes to chauffeuring a car.*

### Aileen Branch

Chorus, 1, 2, 3; H. R. Representative, 4.

*Aileen is a quiet, easy going girl. Her warm friendliness has worked its way into the hearts of all. Those pretty eyes of hers certainly interest somebody!*

### Martha Jean Brittain

Hobby Club, 1; Dramatics Club, 2, 3; Class Reporter, 2; O. P. A. Volunteer Work, 4.

*Jean always manages to keep up a steady flow of jokes and tall tales. Her good nature and cheery disposition account for her popularity.*

### Jack Browning

Junior State Guard, 2, 3; Art Club, 2; F. F. A., 3, 4.

*Jack is the quick-witted, mirthful boy known around school as "Tadpole." His dry wit and "brilliant" cracks keep us constantly in stitches.*

### Floy Buff

H. R. Chaplain, 1, 4; Home Arts Club, 2; H. R. Secretary, 3.

*We'll always remember Floy for her great determination, for that's just what it takes to succeed. This determination, sincerity and her contagious smile, along with her talent for music, will really take her places.*

### Geraldine Buff

Book Club, 1; Knitting Club, 2; Chorus, 3.

*If all of us were as soft spoken and quiet as Geraldine, Mr. Gardner would have no more worries. She's really a model student in all her classes.*

### Cleo Burns

Home Economics Club, 1; Knitting Club, 2.

*Even though Cleo is very quiet, we know she's absorbing the teacher's every word. Her sweet disposition is an outstanding trait, and her abundance of energy is amazing.*

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### Frances Cannon

Knitting Club, 1; Strollers' Club, 2; First Aid Club, 3.

*A girl who always has a pleasant smile and a kind word for everyone is Frances—she's a sympathetic listener, and her low, soft voice is soothing to one's ear.*

### Margaret Cannon

Good Manners Club, 1; Home Economics Club, 2; Business Girls' Club, 3.

*"Bright Eyes" must have been written especially for Margaret. She really believes that "Silence is golden," but we know she's lots of fun.*

### Nancy Carter

Journalism Club, 1, 2; Honor Society Usher, 2; H. R. Officer, 2; *Cauldron* Staff, 3; Red Cross Work, 3; Victory Corps Work, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4; Cat's Tale Staff, 4; O. P. A. Volunteer Work, 4.

*If you hear a hearty chuckle that trickles into an elated giggle, you know "Nanky" is near. She always adds a gay note to our gatherings, and with her literary ability and original ideas we can easily imagine her as some day being editor of a large newspaper.*

### Lucy Clontz

Journalism Club, Speech Club, 1; Home Economics Club, 2; H. R. Monitor, 2; Photography Club, 3; Red Cross Work, 3; H. R. President, 3; O. P. A. Volunteer Work, 4; Honor Society, 4.

*Now, here's one of our smallest Seniors. Yet, with her cheerful disposition and blond hair she seems to grow taller in the eyes of—is it still Joseph, huh? She's always been a faithful student, with innumerable friends among students and teachers.*

### Marion de Vault Cobb

Civics Club, 1; Home Economics Club, 2, 3; Biology Club, 2; History Club, 3; H. R. Secretary-Treasurer, 4.

*Marion has come to us, after spending her Junior year in Valdese, and she has proved to be a valuable addition. She wants to be a stenographer, and she'll make a good one.*

### Milton Coffey

Science Club, 1; F. F. A., 2, 3, 4, 5; Projection Room, 2, 3; Cat's Tale Staff, 5.

*Milton, better known as "Breastlock," seems to be a jack-of-all-trades. He knows something about everything, but we think he has the makings of a scientist.*

### Faye Conley

Strollers' Club, 1; Business Girls' Club, 2; Chorus, 3.

*Do you see a small, cute little Senior coming down the hall? Well, you can be sure it is Faye. She is not one to waste words; in fact she carefully thinks out everything.*

### Ervin Connelly

Class Secretary, 2; Hi-Y, 2, 3, Secretary, 4; Marshal, 3; President Student Council, 4.

*Ervin is our much admired and efficient Student Government President. He is quite a ladies' man—tall and handsome—in fact the best looking boy in the Senior Class.*

### Joe Connelly

Hi-Y, 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Government Representative, 2, 4; Marshal, 3; Cat's Tale Staff, 3, 4; Football, 4.

*Joe's wit, friendliness, rugged handsomeness and chivalrous ways make him a "natural" for popularity. Joe has really showed his capability in school and out.*

### Mary Catherine Connelly

Americanism Club, 1; Vice-President Boosters' Club, 2; First Aid Club, 3; Class Treasurer, 4; Honor Society, 4.

*Mary Catherine is one of our best citizens; studious, yet fun-loving; a good sport, always ready to do her bit and help her friends.*

# CLASS OF 1944

### Betty Cope

Debating Club, 1; Speech Club, 1; Gym Club, 2; Boosters' Club, 3; Softball, 2, 3; Recitation Contest, 2, 3; Basketball, 3, 4; Cheerleader, 3, 4; Class Prophet, 4; O. P. A. Volunteer Work, 4; Monogram Club, 3, 4.

*Folks, sit up and take notice! Here's a star basketball player and an all around good gal! Lovable, laughable Betty—if you want a Miss America, Betty's a good candidate.*

### Tommy Corley

Junior State Guard, 1, 2; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Archery Club, 1; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; H. R. Treasurer, 3; Projection Club, 3.

*Conscientious, fun-loving, sporting—describe "Zeke," one of M. H. S.'s favorites. Is it any wonder Tommy is so popular, especially with the girls?*

### Billy Crites

Photography Club, 1, 2; Junior State Guard, 3; Aeronautics Club, 3; H. R. President, 4.

*Billy is the boy who never passes up a schoolmate without a cheerful word and a friendly pat on the back. Wish there were more like him.*

### Jane Crouch

Hobby Club, 1; Dramatics Club, 2; Bridge Club, 3; Basketball, 3; Marshal, 3; Sponsor for football team at Homecoming, 3.

*Though she chatters constantly, Jane, one of our prettiest Seniors, is well-liked by everyone. Watch her green eyes sparkle as she tells some exciting news.*

### Nell Cuthbertson

Chorus, 1; Gym Team, 2; First Aid, 3; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4.

*Enough cannot be said about one with so much pep and enthusiasm. A good basketball player with a friendly smile is our Nell.*

### Faye Dale

Strollers' Club, 1; Basketball, 1, 2; Boosters' Club, 2, 3; Physical Education Club, 2.

*Faye, with her dancing eyes, is always bubbling over with enthusiasm and mischief. No wonder she is a general favorite. She will always be known around M. H. S. as a whiz of a basketball player.*

### Mabel Dale

Chorus, 1, 2; Photography Club, 3; Basketball, 4.

*Mabel, with her winsome ways, is a friend to everyone. Her wonderful sense of humor and her hearty laugh combine to make a delightful person. Here's to more like Mabel.*

### Evelyn Daves

Glenwood School, 1, 2; First Aid Club, 3.

*Why is there such a pleasant, peaceful atmosphere around Evelyn? Of course, her even temper and likeable ways account for this. Her good common sense is helpful to all her friends.*

### Sophia Davis

Boosters' Club, 1, 3; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus, 2; Softball, 2; Cheerleader, 3; Majorette, 4.

*Sophia is one of the lightly tripping majorettes. A snappy remark or a bright smile always handy. Sophia adds much color to M. H. S.*

### Estaleen Digh

Home Economics Club, 1; H. R. Secretary, 1, 3; Secretary Boosters' Club, 2; Chorus, 3; Secretary Class, 4.

*Here is a grand person mainly interested in Home Economics and a certain soldier! Have you ever heard one of those cute little giggles she lets out in English class? A glorious future to that sweet, congenial "Sleen."*

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### MARGIE DIGH

Knitting Club, 2; Basketball, 2, 4; First Aid Club, 3.

*A lovely blonde is Margie, one of the best basketball players in our class. We like her deep voice and lovely complexion! Margie will surely make many goals as she goes through life.*

### MARIE DUCKWORTH

Chorus, 2; Basketball, 4; Monogram Club, 3; Softball, 2; Gym Team, 1; H. R. President, 4.

*A whiz of a basketball player, a girl full of pep, and enthusiasm, a grand sport—that's Marie. She's a joy to be around! We hope that her life will be "one great game."*

### PHOEBE DUCKWORTH

Americanism Club, 1; H. R. President, 1, 2; H. R. Representative, 1; Chorus, 2; Class President, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4; Photography Club, 3; Volunteer Service for Red Cross, 3; Sponsor for Honor Society, 4.

*There is no girl in high school more efficient and dependable than Phoebe. She's sweet and loved by all. Nobody could want to top that.*

### KEITH DURHAM

Newton High School, 1, 2, 3; H. R. Vice-President, 4.

*Although Keith came to us this year, he wasn't new long, for everyone soon came to know good-natured, easy going Keith.*

### HELEN EPLEY

Boosters' Club, 1, 3; First Aid, 2.

*Helen, what goes on under that beautiful red hair? A person with such an even temper as yours and such a conscientious mind will accomplish much in the future.*

### MARCUS ERVIN

Citizenship Medal, 1; Archery Club, 1; Junior State Guard, 2; Gym Club, 2; Hi-Y Club, 2, 3, 4; Class Vice-President, 3; H. R. President, 4.

*Plaid shirts, a yen for football, and a heart for airplanes only. That's Marcus! But, girls, have you ever noticed those long eyelashes?*

### DOROTHY FARR

Art Club, 1; H. R. Vice-President, 2, President, 4; Class Testator, 4.

*A truer friend will never be found. "Dot," we hear that you want to be a good housekeeper for a certain pilot in the A. F. Is that true?*

### BERTIE LOU FISHER

Strollers' Club, 1; Knitting, 2; Gym Team, 2; H. R. Basketball, 2; Physical Education Softball Team, 2; Red Cross Work, 3.

*Those eyes are always bright and smiling. She has a kind word for everyone. Bertie Lou has proved her mettle in athletics as well as in school work.*

### BOBBY JOE FISHER

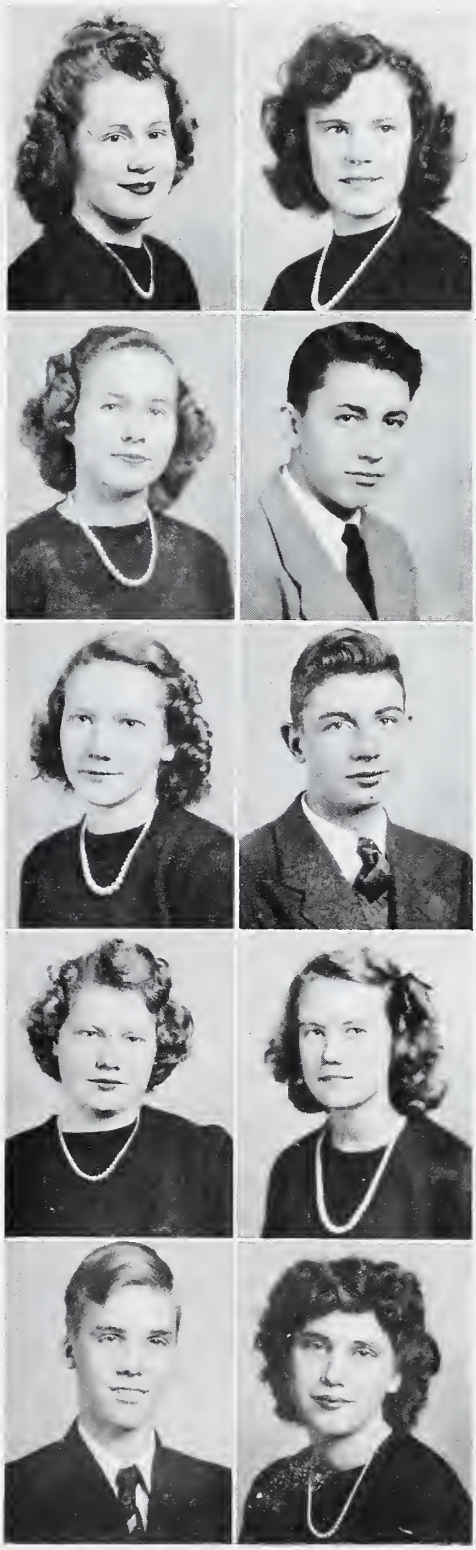
Debating Club, 1, 2; H. R. Officer, 2; Junior State Guard, 3; H. R. Officer, 4.

*Who's the boy that always knows all the answers? Bobby Joe, of course. Did you ever see anyone spell as he does? We think you'll go places in this world, Bobby Joe.*

### JOHNNIE LEE FISHER

Strollers' Club, 1; Boosters' Club, 2, 3.

*"Johnnie" is a nice, sweet girl with a friendly smile for everyone. How does she get along so well with other people? Here's wishing her the very best in everything.*



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### AGNES ELLEN FLEMING

Dramatics Club, 1, 3; H. R. President, 1; Red Cross Work, 1, 3; H. R. Secretary, 3; Victory Volunteer for O. P. A., 4.

*"Flem" always has a smile and a cheery word for everyone. With that flare for studying, she will certainly go far. Her studious habits do not detract from her winning personality.*

### JOSEPHINE FOX

Strollers' Club, 1; H. R. Vice-President, 1; Knitting Club, 2; H. R. Representative, 3; Home Economics Club, 3; Honor Society, 4.

*"Josie" is one of the most pleasant girls in high school. She ranks high in school activities. Some people are just naturally gifted with brains, and "Josie" is one of the few.*

### JUNIOR FOX

Football, 2, 3, 4; Aeronautics Club, 3.

*Junior is our "silent Senior," but he can tell us the right answer (especially in geometry). Ask any of his friends, and they'll tell you that Junior is a "good fellow," and a true friend.*

### MILLIE FOX

Knitting Club, 2; Band, 2, 3, 4; Red Cross, 3.

*Millie is that tall blonde sax player you see in the band. She has pretty eyes, a nice smile, and wears cute clothes. Millie is always interested in our school activities.*

### KATHERINE FRANKLIN

Good Manners Club, 1; Book Club, 2.

*Katherine's cooperation, interest in activities in school and diligence at work are admired by all. Her honesty and sincerity can always be relied upon.*

### EVELYN GARRISON

Dramatics Club, 1; Boosters' Club, 2; Basketball, 2, 3; H. R. Secretary, 2, 3; Band, 4; Band Sponsor, 4.

*A typical Senior—a darling girl—well dressed, and also full of energy. Her dimples seem to be permanent, for she's always smiling.*

### BETTY SUE GASTON

Golf Club, 1, 2; H. R. Chaplain, 1; Glee Club, 2; H. R. Secretary, 2; Bridge Club, 3; Red Cross, 3, 4.

*Here comes Sue with that dreamy look! Sparkling red hair and a dashing bit of loveliness. They say "Tugga" is very good in Spanish.*

### FRANCES GLENN

Drexel High School, 1, 2; Dramatics Club, 3; Band, 3, 4; Red Cross, 3; Majorette, 4.

*One of the prettiest girls in M. H. S. is Frances Glenn. She has a sunny smile for everyone. And she's a majorette!*

### ELBERT GOLIGHTLY

Art Club, 1; Football, 1, 4; Junior State Guard, 2, 3.

*Did you hear a beautiful deep bass voice? It was none other than Elbert. We feel fortunate indeed to have known someone like him.*

### HAZEL GREENE

Art Club, 1; Knitting Club, 2; Home Economics Club, 3; Boosters' Club President, 4; H. R. Secretary, 4; Monogram Club, 5; Football Team Sponsor, 5; Monogram Club Sponsor, 5.

*She's brunette, pretty, sweet, wide-awake—everything you could wish for. No wonder she's the most popular girl in the Senior Class. She will have the best of luck always.*

# CLASS OF 1944

### Walter Leith Greene

Band, 1, 2; Football, 3, 4; Student Council, 3; Photography Club, 3; Hobby Club, 1; Home Guard, 2; H. R. President, 2, 3; Class Vice-President, 4; Hi-Y, 4.

*Always smiling and making cracks—yep, it's "Little Walt," one of our star football players. A great "sleight of hand" artist, Walt certainly gets around—Girls, take notice!*

### Nadine Gunter

Book Club, 1; Knitting Club, 2; Chorus, 3.

*We wish for our Nadine a row of successes as only she deserves. She is really a true friend, one who possesses a lovable disposition and an even temper.*

### Ted Hairfield

Golf Club, 1; H. R. Secretary, 1, 3, 4; Football, 1, 4; Junior State Guard, 2, 3; Band, 2, 3, 4; H. R. Representative, 3.

*If he's easy going and looks like a Spanish "senor," it's Ted Hairfield. Ted wants to get in the Naval Air Corps. He'll make a "dashing young pilot."*

### Wilma Hallyburton

Art Club, 1; Glee Club, 1, 4; H. R. President, 1; Knitting Club, 2; H. R. Secretary, 2; Dancing Club, 3.

*Someone zipping through the halls? It must be Wilma. Mr. Gardner's hard working secretary, whether it's rain or shine, wears a smile that would "melt ice."*

### Edwin Harbison

Vocational Club, 1; Junior State Guard, 2; Book Club, 3.

*He's quiet and unassuming, but he can always be depended upon. We are sure Edwin knows more than he talks about. With his ability, Edwin is apt to reach the top.*

### Leighton Harbison

Photography Club, 1; Bicycle Club, 1; Hobby Club, 2; Junior State Guard, 2, 3; Football, 4; H. R. Treasurer, 4.

*Never a dull moment around Leighton, better known as "Pig," who always keeps his audience in stitches. We think he's really swell. This fine football player deserves the best.*

### Betty Ann Harrill

Strollers' Club, 1; Photography Club, 2; Bridge Club, 3; Knitters' Club, 4.

*Laurels go to Betty Ann, always neatly dressed, hair in place, a possessor of school spirit, and personality-plus. She takes the cake for a host of friends and a row of good jokes.*

### Carl Harris

Golf Club, 1; Baseball, 1, 2; Junior State Guard, 2, 3.

*One of our friendliest Seniors—always entering into the activities of M. H. S. We hear he's good on the baseball field! "Red" will be able to make a homerun in life, too.*

### Katherine Hern

Boosters' Club, 1; Strollers' Club, 2; First Aid Club, 3.

*"Take it with a smile" might easily be "Kat's" motto. Katherine has an eye for the future. Wouldn't she look attractive behind the secretary's desk in a large firm in New York? May success for you come soon, Katherine, because we think you're "tops."*

### Christine Hogan

Home Arts, 2; Glee Club, 3.

*A toast to a bright-eyed favorite Senior, always cheerful and lending a helping hand. Of all the people who are "a friend indeed," Christine is our pick.*

# CLASS OF 1944

### VANCE HOKE

Vocational Club, 1; Art Club, 2; Bridge Club, 3.

*Small, but not by any means overlooked, is that tiny Senior with the long line of jokes to make everyone laugh. Vance, when he gets the energy, can zip along at a high speed.*

### EDITH HOYLE

Strollers' Club, 1; Boosters' Club, 2, 3; Physical Education Club, 2.

*Edith, with her beautiful blond hair and sweet disposition, is a favorite of all. She is musically inclined and plans to go to a music school when she graduates. With her talent and knack for making friends, we think she'll get along fine.*

### ANNIE JEAN HUDSON

Speech Club, 1; Dramatics Club, 2, 3; Class Secretary, 2; Marshal, 3; Volunteer Worker at O. P. A., 4; Knitters' Club, 4; Honor Society, 4.

*Annie Jean's sparkling smile, lovely brown eyes, and lovable disposition make her one of our prettiest and most popular students. With these and her many other admirable traits, she'll go places, or we miss our guess.*

### DOROTHY JACQUINS

President Class, 1; Debating Club, 1, 2; Bridge Club, 3; Volunteer Worker O. P. A., 4; Red Cross Worker, 3; Vice-President H. R., 4.

*Dorothy has proved invaluable as a volunteer worker at the ration board this year. As a matter of fact "Dot" is a perfect jewel in everything she does. A natural born leader, Dorothy will go a "fur piece" in this world.*

### NEAL KEETER

Americanism Club, 1; Art Club, 2; H. R. President, 2, 3; CAT'S TALE Staff, 3, 4; Journalism Club, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4.

*Neal is another of our intelligent Seniors. A smooth dancer and loads of fun, she goes in for knitting and blue nail polish. Right now the paratroops have priority.*

### CAROLYN KIBLER

Honor Society Page, 1; Dramatics Club, 2, 3; H. R. Officer, 2; Annual Staff, 3; Class Poet, 4; Homecoming Sponsor, 4; Chief Marshal, 3.

*"Goober," one of our cutest Seniors, is full of wit and humor. Her hands and eyes are her prettiest features—and she has that certain way with men.*

### LUCY MAUD KIBLER

Hobby Club, 1; Dramatics Club, 2; H. R. Representative, 2; Photography Club, 3; Red Cross Work, 3; Victory Corps Work, 3; Honor Society, 4.

*"Mauchie"—pretty, tall, dignified, and neat. You never see her lose her poise. She's cool and level-headed—a combination that is hard to beat.*

### HOBART KIMEL

Archery Club, 1; Gym Team, 2; Junior Home Guard, 2; Baseball Manager, 2; Football, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 3; Boosters' Club, 3; Monogram Club, 3, 4.

*Hobart was such an efficient baseball team manager—and then he suddenly blossomed out into a football hero! We're proud of you, Hobart!*

### HILDA KINCAID

Dramatics Club, 2; Debating Club, 1; Boosters' Club, 3; Basketball, 1, 2, 4; Cheerleader, 3, 4; H. R. Officer, 1, 2, 4.

*If you're down in the dumps—go to Hilda. She's capable of "pepping up" everyone within hearing distance, and is another of our basketball stars.*

### LAWRENCE JUBIN LANE

Debating Club, 1, 2; Junior State Guard, 3; Class President, 4.

*Every page of "Popular Mechanics" is absorbed by Jubin. This Einstein of the geometry and physics classes and our popular class president has little time for girls—he's too busy.*

# CLASS OF 1944

### Virginia Leonhardt

Debating Club, 1; H. R. Program Chairman, 1; Secretary History Club, 1; Business Girls' Club, 2; Class Treasurer, 2; Representative for a Sophomore Program Committee, 2; Photography Club, 3; H. R. Representative, 3, Vice-President, 4; Honor Society, 4.

*Here's one of the most brilliant members of the Senior Class. "Anything she doesn't know just isn't worth knowing!" She's a platinum blonde, and we think red's her favorite color.*

### Hannie Lingafelt

Good Manners Club, 1; Home Economics Club, 2; Intramural Basketball, 2; Red Cross Knitting, 2.

*A tall, slender, graceful blonde, Hannie has an abundance of friends. A highly capable and dependable person—she'll certainly be missed in M. H. S.*

### Josephine Mabe

Strollers' Club, 1; Knitting Club, 2; Chorus, 3; Basketball, 3.

*Halt! Here comes one of those Mabe girls with her eyes flashing and snapping for everyone (especially the males). She is the original Morganton U. S. O.*

### Paul Mabe

Handicraft Club, 1; Photography Club, 2, 3; Junior State Guard, 2; Chorus, 2; H. R. Vice-President, 2; Band, 3, 4; Drum Major, 4; Student Government, 4; Honor Society, 4.

*Stop, look, and listen! Paul is our high-stepping drum major, well-known for his hat, clarinet, and a certain Marion girl. Paul, we've always heard that a uniform gets 'em!*

### Sarah Mabe

Boosters' Club, 1, 2, 3; Bowling Team, 4.

*What keeps that gleam in Sarah's eyes? Could it be a certain soldier friend? No wonder he "goes for" a girl with such beautiful black hair and eyes like hers.*

### Dorothy Mason

Debating Club, 1; Boosters' Club, 2, 3.

*Dorothy, one of our quietest Seniors, is also one of our nicest. She always has a smile and a cheery word for everyone. It seems that she can also lead anyone in a "merry" debate.*

### Elizabeth McCall

Band, 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club, 1, 2; Orchestra, 2, 3.

*She isn't really an angel; it's just that halo of blond hair—she's just naturally pretty. And she's also one of the smartest girls in high school. We need more people like "Libbie."*

### Nancy McCurry

Hobby Club, 1; Orchestra, 2, 3; Dramatics Club, 2; Historian, 3.

*We sort of have a crush on this sweet violin player. That cute little turned-up, freckled nose and those pretty eyes certainly get 'em.*

### David McGimpsey

F. F. A., 1; Vocational Guidance, 1; Junior Home Guard, 2, 3.

*We once thought David rather shy, but he has proved that he isn't; around M. H. S., David is famous for his "Lost Sheep" solo in English III.*

### Harold Michaels

H. R. President, 4, Officer, 1, 2, 3, Treasurer, 3; Junior Home Guard, 2; Student Government, 1; Honor Society, 4.

*Here's the boy with the infectious grin—likeable Harold. Take a dash of humor, a sprinkling of wit, a lot of brains, and it comes out Harold.*

# CLASS OF 1944

### Harriet Purcell McLean

Hobby Club, 1; Class Historian, 1; Orchestra, 1, 2; H. R. Vice-President, 2, Chaplain, 2, Vice-President, 3; Red Cross, 3; Honor Society, 4.

*A blonde with brains! Fellows take notice 'cause it's true. Harriet is one of the most popular daughters of M. H. S. She is also very musically inclined.*

### Evelyn Morris

Hobby Club, 1; Business Club, 2; Boosters' Club, 3; *Cauldron* Reporter, 3.

*Tall, slim, Evelyn—this brunette is reported to have a lovely voice. She'd make a mighty good secretary too, as she's already a typing shark.*

### Maxine Mull

Debating Club, 1; Secretary, 1; Representative of Student Government, 1; Debating Team, 2; Statistician, 2; *Cauldron* Staff, 3; Red Cross, 3; O. P. A. Work, 4.

*We bow to a pretty girl with beautiful hair. We can see why the boys turn and look a second time. "Dickie" is full of fun and can bring a smile to anyone's face. But we warn you, never get in a debate with her, for she always wins.*

### Mae Comer Osborne

Home Economics Club, 1; H. R. Secretary, 1; Dramatics Club, 2; Boosters' Club, 3; Red Cross, 3; H. R. Treasurer, 4; O. P. A. Work, 4.

*Doesn't Mae ever wear herself out? She seems to be tireless. If you want a job done, and done well, ask Mae—she's your woman! This industrious person will make a fine record for herself in whatever she undertakes.*

### Betty Lee Oxford

Vice-President Public Speaking Club, 1; Photography Club, 2; Dramatics Club, 3.

*Betty Lee is the ingenious little Miss to whom we're deeply indebted for the naming of our annual. In addition to her creative talents, Betty Lee has real dramatic ability.*

### Jimmy Oxford

Gym Team, 2; Art Club, 2; Boosters' Club, 3; F. F. A., 3, 4.

*Gracious, girls, just take a squint at those dimples! They must help make Jimmy so popular—along with his easy-going, affable manner. And believe it or not—he has a twin!*

### John Oxford

Golf Club, 1, 2; Football, 1, 2, 3, Co-Captain, 4; Junior State Guard, 2; Basketball Manager, 2; Monogram Club, 3, 4; Boosters' Club, 3; F. F. A., 3, 4.

*Johnny has found his way into the hearts of everyone in M. H. S. This year he was co-captain of the football team, and his pep and fighting spirit helped much.*

### Fred Patton

Debating Club, 1; Strollers' Club, 2; Junior State Guard, 3, 4; Football, 5.

*"Swoonatra," with his wavy blonde hair and hazel eyes is the "Arrow Collar Man" of M. H. S. even though he doesn't sing—he can sho' wrap the wimmin round his little finger, as his string of conquests testifies. Unlike Frankie, though, Freddy's a favorite of both girls and boys.*

### Rosemary Patton

Band, 1; Photography Club, 2; Golf Club, 1.

*A dash of wit, mixed with red hair, and stirred with a sparkling personality—this is Rosemary. She's friendly, unselfish, and quite talkative. "Rosey" always has a joke or two on hand to keep everybody laughing.*

### John Perkins

*John's lovely brown eyes are a topic of conversation for all the girls. His cheery laugh fills every class. Although small, John is able to hold his own. Here's wishing him the best of luck.*

# CLASS OF 1944

### Margaret Phillips

Americanism Club, 1; Boosters' Club, 2; Glee Club, 2; Honor Society, 4; Cat's Tale Staff, 3, 4; Student Council, 4.

*A true picture of efficiency, ability, and friendliness. This picture also sings and plays beautifully. Margaret has been a very capable member of the Student Council.*

### Helen Rader

Hobby Club, 1; Business Girls' Club, 2; Boosters' Club, 3; Dramatics Club, 4.

*Does she always keep everyone laughing so? Her eyes are forever going twinkle, twinkle, twinkle—it's no wonder she has such a "slew" of friends.*

### Edgar Read

Class Secretary, 1; Hobby Club President, 1; Football, 1, 3, 4; Baseball, 1, 2; Student Council, 1, 3, Vice-President, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4, President, 4; Chief Marshal, 3; Monogram Club, 3, 4; Business Manager of Cat's Tale, 4; Hi-Y Club, 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary, 2, President, 4; H. R. Representative, 4; Class President, 2.

*We proudly present—Edgar. He's always busy—getting ads for the annual, presiding at Honor Society and Hi-Y meetings, playing football—M. H. S. won't be the same without Edgar.*

### Murray Toney Rhodes

Archery, 1; Americanism Club, 1; Gym Team, 1; Junior State Guard, 2; H. R. Officer, 3; Band, 2, 3, 4.

*"Toney" is the star drummer of our band. He's good at chemistry, and late'y has proved himself a potential football star.*

### Martha Ross

Hobby Club, 1; Class Statistician, 1; Honor Society Page, 1; Dramatics Club, 2; Student Council Secretary, 3; Assistant Editor Cat's Tale, 3; Sponsor of Student Government, 3; Marshal, 3; Honor Society, 3, 4; Red Cross, 3, 4; H. R. Representative, 4; Editor of Cat's Tale, 4.

*"Mot," our popular editor—if there's a job to be done, "Mot" can do it, and if there's fun to be had, it's with her. She's lovable, dependable, efficient—everything you could hope for in one person.*

### Bill Rusmisell

Archery Club, 1; Junior State Guard, 2, 3.

*"Rusty" is the reckless driver you see zooming around in that "snazzy" black car. He always seems to have a mischievous twinkle in his eye! With that deep voice, you can spot him every time.*

### Charlotte Setzer

Library Club, 1; Photography Club, 2; Glee Club, 3.

*She's usually quiet, but when Charlotte speaks just perk up and take notice. This vivacious brownette is both popular, persevering, and should certainly succeed. A south paw, Charlotte adds much to her classes.*

### Claudia Setzer

Dramatics Club, 1; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3; H. R. Chaplain, 2; Band, 3, 4.

*Make way for the jitterbug! A dancing gal with sparkling eyes is Claudia. She beats a peppy snare for the band, too. Claudia will dance her way through life with grace and ease.*

### Walter Setzer

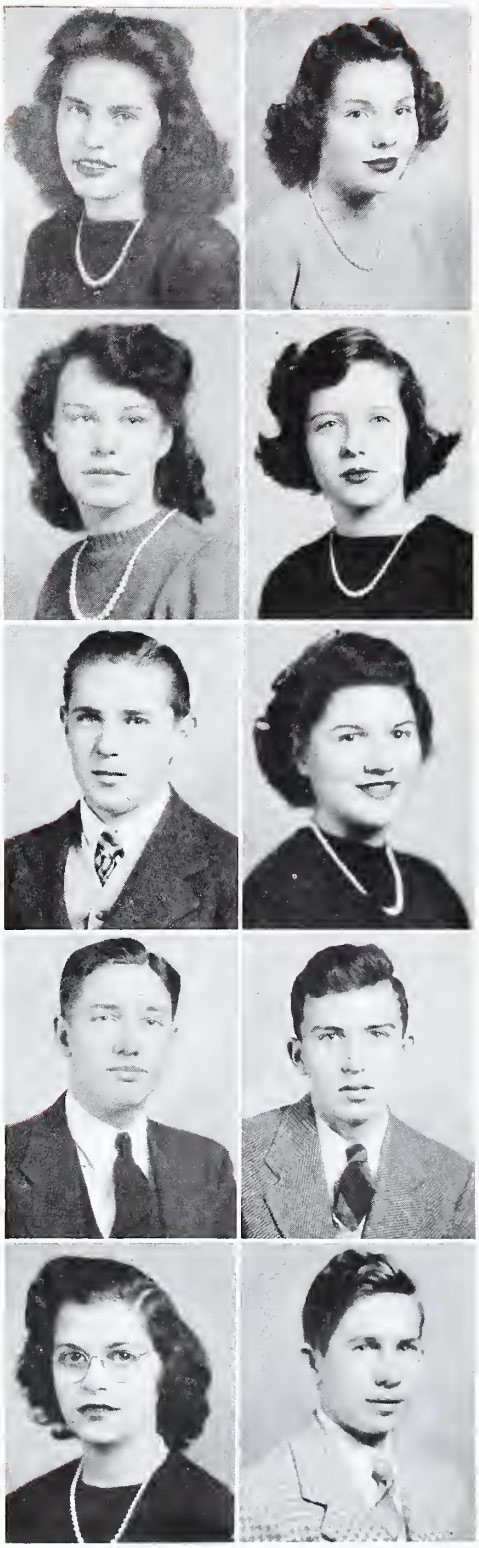
Archery Club, 1, 2; Junior State Guard, 2, 3; Band, 4.

*A bundle of personality, humor, dependability, and good nature. Please tell us, how can any one person be all these rolled into one? We thrill to Walter's cheery greeting and slow drawl.*

### Bobby Simpson

Archery Club, 1; Student Government, 1, 2; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y Club, 2, 3, 4.

*"Simp," with that million dollar smile, is known as the '43 football captain, an eyeful for the girls, and a real pal to the boys.*



# CLASS OF 1944

### Eveline Singleton

Golf Club, 1; Tennis, 1, 2, 3; Band, 1, 2, 3; Debating Club, 2; Journalism Club, 3; Business Manager *Cauldron*, 4; *Cauldron* Sponsor for Homecoming, 4; Annual Staff, 4.

*A bundle of fireworks! That just describes this unpredictable, happy-go-lucky, jive-bug. A tennis champ and an avid football fan, Eveline is loads of fun.*

### Billie Gordon Smith

Debating Club, 1; Journalism Club, 2; Chorus, 2; Orchestra, 3; *Cauldron* Staff, 3; Red Cross, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4.

*Do you know the girl with the beautiful brown eyes and brown hair, who always is smiling? Yes, that's Billie Gordon—a good student and a sweet girl.*

### Pearl Smith

Strollers' Club, 1; Boosters' Club.

*Pearl, friendly, capable, courteous, and easy-going, is a favorite of all. Her ability and charm are the envy of everyone in M. H. S. We also love Pearl's beautiful brown hair. With all these qualities Pearl will make quite a hit in life.*

### Dorothy Summers

North Wilkesboro High School, 1; Chorus, 2; Handicraft, 3.

*Who was that giggling in the back of the room? Yes, we suspected it was "Dot." She has been with us only three years; we don't know how we got along without her when we were Freshmen. Keep up our morale, "Dot."*

### Bill Thompson

Science Club, 1; Photography Club, 2; Junior State Guard, 3; President H. R., 2; Honor Society, 3, 4; H. R. Officer, 3; Junior State Guard, 3.

*"Study to know, strive to do." That must be Billy's motto. He's not only one of the best looking boys in school; he also has worlds of initiative and enthusiasm and is a ladies' man from "way back yonder."*

### Lois Thorneburg

Good Manners Club, 1; Book Club, 2; Bridge Club, 3; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Monogram Club, 3, 4; Cheerleader, 3, 4.

*Lois' pleasing personality, good looks, and sweet disposition have won her a host of friends. With her fine basketball record and knack for leadership—we feel sure she'll attain her coveted goal—that of physical education instructor.*

### Clarence Turner

H. R. President, 1; Archery Club, 1; Junior State Guard, 2; F. F. A., 3.

*Quiet, attentive Clarence! Oh! We won't forget his handsomeness and that "romantic look in his eyes." He must be the girls' ideal. Seriously, Clarence is a promising student—and the future is full of hopes. (Leave it to Betty!)*

### Leroy Wall

Football, 2, 3, 4; Junior State Guard, 2, 3; Americanism Club, 1; Government Club, 2.

*"We want Leroy!" is our cry. Some people are just naturally gifted—and Leroy's gift is humor. If you're blue, just go to Leroy, and in no time, he'll cheer you up.*

### Jean Watlington

Dramatics Club, 1; H. R. President, 1, 2; Band, 1; Photography Club, 2; Bridge Club, 2; Honor Society, 3, 4, Vice-President, 4; Editor *Cauldron*, 4; Cat's Tale Staff, 4, Sponsor, 4; Red Cross Work, 3.

*It's a wonder—it's a scream—it's our Jean. No kidding—brilliance and originality personified! This cute little trick is a favorite among us. Her wit and unpredictable actions keep us on our toes constantly.*

### Blake Watson

Archery Club, 1; Band, 1; Photography Club, 2; Aeronautics Club, 3.

*Do you hear a "hub-bub-bub," a "thump-thump," or a low whistle in the back of the classroom? If you do, it is Blake, whose wit and humor make life interesting.*

# CLASS OF 1944

### Eugene Whisnant

Bicycle Club, 1; Junior State Guard, 2, 3; H. R. President, 4.

*Eugene is usually so quiet that you know he is thinking—but ever so often his sense of humor comes to the surface, to the enjoyment of all. Sounds like a perfect combination, doesn't it?*

### Rachel Whisnant

Home Economics Club, 2; Intramural Basketball, 2; Intramural Softball, 2.

*Full of fighting spirit, excels in athletics, in other words, a good all-round M. H. S. girl. Rachel is always surrounded by a circle of friends.*

### Betty Williams

Commercial Club, 1; Home Economics Club, 2; Boosters' Club, 3; H. R. Representative, 2.

*Betty is friendly, sincere, and sweet—a valuable member of the class. She surpasses most of us with her high grades. Betty's deep voice is well known among us all.*

### Ernest Williams

Football Team, 1; Science Club, 1; Book Club President, 2; Football Team, 3; Photography Club, 3.

*He's blonde, good-looking, and he smokes a pipe to top it off—he "dances like a dream" and has a car. That's Ernest—what more could any girl want?*

### Hope Williams

Good Manners Club, 1; Knitting Club, 2; First Aid Club, 3.

*Here's a girl widely envied for her sweet disposition. Very cooperative and congenial is our Hope. She has endearing charms that are admired by us all. We wish there were more like Hope. She deserves the best.*

### Jack Williams

Speech Club, 1, 2; Junior State Guard, 2, 3; F. F. A., 2; H. R. Chaplain, 4.

*A few years from now, we imagine that Jack will be Rev. Williams. Not only a fine Bible student, Jack is a hard worker in everything.*

### Vester Lee Williams

Hudson High School, 1; Junior State Guard, 2.

*If you have ever been told that redheads have a fiery temper, don't believe it? Because Vester Lee is one of the best-natured boys in high school. He'll succeed in anything he does.*

### Charles Winters

H. R. Chaplain, 1, 2; Bicycle Club, 1; First Aid Club, 3; Junior State Guard, 2, 3.

*With a mischievous twinkle in his eye, Charles adds a laugh to everything. You can always depend on him to keep you cheerful and happy. We hear he's a shark in Spanish, too.*

# CAMERA SHY SENIORS

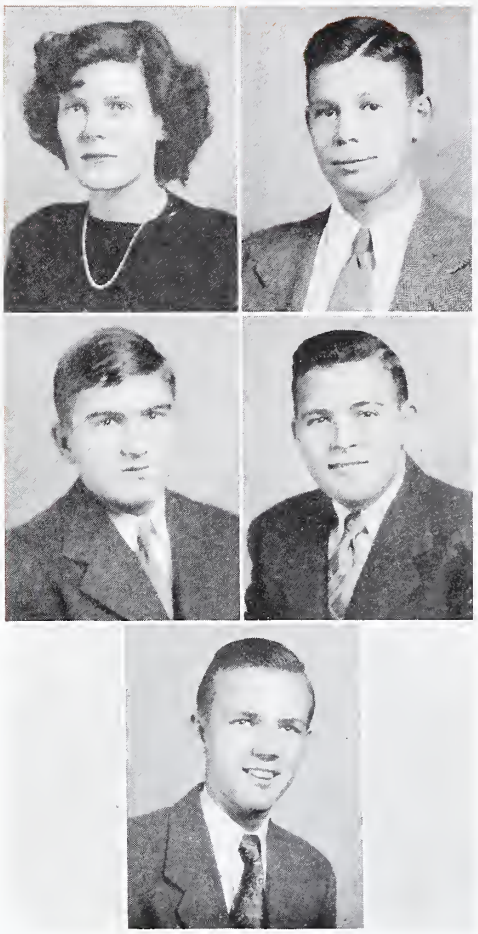
Melvin Digh

Vonnie Sanders

Gwendolyn Greenlee

Charles Whetstine

Beatrice Ross



# TWELFTH GRADE

### Virginia Branch

*A wonderful friend to have is Virginia! There aren't many fine girls like her. Wit, a cheery disposition, kindness and understanding like hers will always be welcome at M. H. S.*

### Fred Causby

*This brunette football "demon" is the delight of all. He has a mania for plaid shirts, but don't we all? A grand sport, with plenty of determination, is a combination we all admire—especially if it is someone like Fred.*

### Ralph Harbison

*"Squeaky," the master hardware salesman, liked school so much he came back for another dose of it. Though he's short, Ralph makes up for it in many ways. We know he'll reach the top.*

### Melvin Mabe

*"Goo-Goo," "Jake," is the Bob Hope of M. H. S. The sage of Bible class has also done a swell job showing us movies all year. His wit, perseverance, and loyalty will take him places.*

### John Moore

*Here'e Johnny, the boy with the "Ipana" smile. Well known by all, Johnny is a frequent visitor to the library, where he delights in teasing everyone. As a photography fiend, "Moore" never misses snapping a pretty face and a lovely smile.*

# "So You Knew Them When . . . ?"

1. Bobby Joe and Johnnie Lee Fisher
2. Betty Sue Gaston
3. Estaleen Digh
4. Agnes Bowers
5. Mary Billings
6. Keith Durham
7. Lucy Maud Kibler
8. Jimmie Oxford
9. Sarah Vabe
10. Marie Duckworth
11. Lois Thornebury
12. Edwin Harbinson
13. Harriet McLean
14. Martha Ross
15. Bertie Lou Fisher
16. Betty Jean Berry
17. Phoebe Duckworth
18. Dorothy Alley
19. Tommy Corley
20. Agnes Fleming
21. Nancy Carter
22. Hazel Greene
23. Charles Winters, Jr.
24. Claudia Selzer
25. Lola Mae Beck
26. Hannie Lingafelt
27. Judith Lane
28. Neal Reeter
29. Betty Alice Bowers
30. John Oxford, Jr.
31. Evelyn Daves
32. Rosemary Patton
33. Jean Watlington
34. David McGimpsey
35. Betty Williams

# HISTORY

FOUR YEARS AGO on a bright, sunny, September morning, almost two hundred green Freshmen entered the doors of Morganton High School. Although we were probably the dumbest class ever to enter the M. H. S. auditorium, we took our seats with a determination to succeed. After we had finally learned what we were waiting so patiently to know—where to go, when, and why—we then felt that we had begun something great. Half of us found our rooms, while the other half wandered around the corridors in circles. After a few days, we began to find our way around what we thought was a queer old building. Becoming accustomed to the ways and means of high school, we settled down enough to elect the following officers: President, Dorothy Jaquins; Vice-President, Harold Tolbert; Secretary, Edgar Read.

Finally the green began to wear off, and we became what we thought industrious. At Stunt Nite, Eveline Singleton starred in "Why Teachers Go Nuts." The football team, under Coach Reinhardt's superior guidance, won the Western Conference for the second consecutive year. The M. H. S. Hall Patrol went into effect during our Freshman year. The band, with some of our class members, went to Greensboro to enter into the state contest.

Having completed our first successful year of work, we became silly Sophomores, and elected the following class officers: President, Edgar Read; Vice-President, Walt Green; Secretary-Treasurer, Mary Billings. Again the football team claimed championship in the Western Conference.

Merrily we rolled along until December the seventh, when the Japs woke us up at Pearl Harbor. This changed our course because war cast a more serious glow on things. We entered the Salvage Campaign whole-heartedly, and were willing, if necessary, to make many sacrifices.

Later we presented our Sophomore stunt, "At the Station," in which Betty Cope and Hilda Kincaid starred. At the end of the term, we felt that we really had been prosperous.

When we became upperclassmen, we elected our class officers: President, Phoebe Duckworth; Vice-President, Marcus Ervin; Secretary, Annie Jean Hudson; Treasurer, Harold Michaels. Those inducted from the Junior Class into the Honor Society were: Agnes Bowers, Mary Billings, Phoebe Duckworth, Martha Ross, Neal Keeter, Nancy Carter, Jean Watlington, Billy Thompson, and Edgar Read.

We sponsored Stunt Nite and won highest honors with the play "Julius Caesar," in which Carolyn Kibler starred. The Junior-Senior reception was held with an entirely different type of entertainment—a movie "Tarzan Triumphs"—followed by a dance in the Armory.

The commencement marshals for the Senior Class were: Carolyn Kibler, Annie Jean Hudson, Martha Ross, Estaleen Digh, Jane Crouch, Edgar Read, Walt Green, Joe Connelly, Bobby Simpson, and Ervin Connelly.

In the autumn of nineteen hundred forty-three, we finally reached the top steps—"Seniors"!! Gee! Did we feel powerful! We felt responsible for the whole school. Our class officers were: President, Jubin Lane; Vice-President, Walt Green; Secretary, Estaleen Digh; Treasurer, Mary Catherine Connelly; Testator, Dorothy Farr; Statistician, Billy Thompson; Prophet, Betty Cope; Historian, Annie Jean Hudson; and Poet, Carolyn Kibler.

In the Student Government, Ervin Connelly was President, and Margaret Phillips and Joe Connelly were council members. and Paul Mabe, Treasurer. Those taken into the Honor Society from the Senior Class were: Betty Alice Bowers, Mary Catherine Connelly, Lucy Clontz, Josephine Fox, Annie Jean Hudson, Lucy Maud Kibler, Virginia Leonhardt, Harriet McLean, Margaret Phillips, Paul Mabe, and Harold Michaels.

A new club, the Tri-Hi-Y, was organized for Junior and Senior girls, with an enrollment of many members from our class.

In the Senior Stunt, "What Price America?" given on March 10, the following took part: Elizabeth McCall, Nancy McCurry, Hilda Kincaid, Jean Brittain, and Agnes Fleming.

*Little Women,* our Senior Class Play, was presented before an appreciative audience. The play appealed to every age from seven to seventy because of its sentimental charm. A fine performance was given by Neal Keeter, as Jo, the tomboy; Carolyn Kibler, as Amy, the sweet little lady; Martha Ross, as Meg, the housekeeper; Mary Billings, as Beth, the patient, sweet-tempered musician; Eveline Singleton, as the girls' mother, the famous Marmee; Evelyn Garrison, as the peevish Aunt March, whose bark was worse than her bite; Ervin Connelly, as Mr. Lawrence, the wealthy neighbor; Walt Greene, as Laurie, the ideal of young American manhood; Edgar Read, as John Brook, the bashful tutor; Agnes Fleming, as Hannah, the well meaning cook; and Blake Watson, as Professor Bhaer, the German teacher.

Now, we become a little sad. We start remembering those "good ole days." We shall always remember those school parties, those pep rallies, and those ball games where we had so much fun. We shall remember those funny little things that happened during class to keep monotony away. We shall remember the night that concludes our school days, when we shall clutch our diplomas with trembling hands and tumultuous hearts. We shall remember the day when we walk down those steps for the last time and say goodbye.

Isn't it wonderful that we shall have memories?

ANNIE JEAN HUDSON,
*Historian.*

# PROPHECY

THE CLOCK alarmed dutifully and I rolled over in bed, dreading to get up and face the busy day. Finally, amid yawns, I got up and was in the midst of my breakfast when the telephone rang. As I picked up the receiver I heard the voice of a friend, Nancy McCurry. She seemed to be bubbling over with enthusiasm when she told me that she had a surprise for me and that I was to meet her at the James Hotel at twelve o'clock.

I tried to do a few small tasks, but finally my curiosity got the best of me. I dressed hurriedly but carefully and went to my appointment an hour early. After a very tiring half hour, Nancy arrived and with her was none other than an old and dear friend of mine, Lois Throneburg, whom I had not seen since we graduated from high school ten years ago. That was surely a pleasant surprise!

Naturally, our conversation took the course of our high school days and before we realized it, we had spent practically the entire afternoon. It was then I realized that I had a dinner appointment with the "Wolf-Pack Club," and feeling sure it would be proper, I invited Lois to go with me. We decided that this needed a little attention, so we both went to the beauty parlor. At the beauty parlor I was graciously served by Betty Beach, who had as her assistants Margie Digh, Cleo Burns, and Fay Conley. There I learned that Mabel Dale and Evelyn Daves were joint owners of the Glosse Shoppe.

Being very much interested and inquisitive, I looked further for my classmates. I found that Jimmy Alexander, Jack Browning, and Junior Fox were running a cigarette store on Fifth Avenue. Two blocks down the street I found John Perkins, Jimmy Oxford, and Melvin Mabe. working in a department store of which Jubin Lane was manager, with Betty Alice Bowers as his private secretary.

Walking farther down the street, I was brought to a dead stop by a band on the street corner. Inquiring further I found that it was the "Tin Pan Ten," which included Vance Hoke, John Moore, Murray Rhodes, Walter Setzer, and Ted Hairfield. As I walked back toward my apartment, I passed an enormous building which I readily recognized as the Corley-Crites Helicopter Company. I decided to drop by and pay them a visit. I learned in Mr. Tommy Corley's office that he had as his secretary Miss Jean Brittain, while Billy Crites had picked as his secretaries, Dorothy Jaquins and Agnes Fleming. The guards at the gate were none other than Bobby Joe Fisher and Harold Michaels.

That evening at the Waldorf I saw many more of my friends; I found that many of them were members of the "Wolf-Pack Club." I was ushered into the dining hall by the two cute usherettes, Floy Buff and Marion Cobb. I was then seated at the table with three famous women doctors, Dorothy Farr, Mary Katherine Connelly, and Nancy Carter, and a renowned lawyer, Neal Keeter, famous for her title as divorce-specialist. The speaker for the evening was Rev. Charles Winters, pastor of the Little Church Around the Corner. He was introduced by John Oxford, author of the popular essay, "How to Make Enemies and Aggravate Teachers." The club was interrupted by super-salesman, Fred Bowie, who wanted to know if anyone wanted to buy a subscription to the *Country Gentlemen*. We were also honored with solos by Frances Glenn of the Metropolitan Opera accompanied at the piano by Margaret Phillips and Ray Berry, who had now taken Frank Sinatra's place on the Hit Parade. Having my fill of food and entertainment, I caught a taxi home, which was driven by Helen Epley.

Fed up with life in the city and wanting to relax at a football game, I caught a train just in time to get to the big Georgia Tech-Notre Dame football game, which was being played in Atlanta, Georgia. Much to my surprise I found that Bobby Simpson was Coach for Notre Dame with Keith Durham as his assistant. On the bleachers behind the warm-up bench I saw his wife, the former Dorothy Alley with her two little boys, Charlie and Eddie, whom she had named after former flames. I found that Sports Announcer Edgar Read had been accompanied to the game by Miss Jane Crouch of the Illustrated Press. Picking up the program, I discovered that Charles Whetstine was Coach of Georgia Tech and that Leroy Wall, Hobert Kimel, and Fred Causby were his star linesmen.

While I was traveling, I decided to spend a few days in Texas. I visited the H-Bar-X Ranch, owned by David McGimpsey. I found that Finley Bradshaw and Clarence Turner, chief ranchmen, had just hired a new group of cowgirls, Eileen Branch, Margaret Cannon, and Phoebe Duckworth. Next door lived Faye Dale, who was happily married and had as her maid, Frances Cannon.

One day while hiking, I met four other vacationers —screen stars, Sophia Davis and Estaleen Digh; and starlets, Johnnie Lee Fisher and Millie Fox. While in conversation, I found that M. G. M.'s greatest attractions were Hazel Greene, Betty Ann Harrill, and Annie Jean Hudson, and Milton Coffey was chief photographer.

After dinner we all went over to the local movie to see Joe Connelly's production of the famous novel, "The Nifty Nitwits," by Betty Sue Gaston, starring none other than Hilda Kincaid and Blake Watson.

While in El Paso, I met a famous aviatrix, Eveline Singleton, who persuaded me to fly with her to Miami. My fellow passengers were Dorothy Summers, Pearl Smith, and Rachel Whisnant. In Miami we landed

# PROPHECY—Continued

at the Pan-American Municipal Airport, where I met the president of the Pan-American Airways, Mr. Jack Williams. His pilots were Eugene Whisnant, and Bill Thompson. To pass away the time, I went into a fortune teller's booth, where I found Betty Williams, "the phantom of the crystal ball," and she related many interesting incidents to me. Agnes Bowers was president of the Southern Debutante Society of which Mary Billings, Martha Ross, and Harriet McLean were popular members. Elizabeth McCall and Maxine Mull were joint owners of a chicken farm, and Christine Hogan was chief salesman. She said that at that very moment the famous magician Walt Greene was entertaining Virginia Leonhardt's first grade. She also related that several of our members had gone political-minded. Leighton Harbison had been recently made military governor of Italy, and Bill Rusmisell had been elected to head the army of occupation in Germany. Elbert Golightly had been nominated for governor of New York. Josephine Mabe and Marie Duckworth were singers in the Canary Club, where Fred Patton and Jean Watlington were dancing partners. Vester Lee Williams was the new principal of M. H. S. and had as his admiring teachers, Josephine Fox, Catherine Franklin, Edith Hoyle, Betty Lee Oxford, and Hannie Lingafelt. Paul Mabe was the janitor and Dorothy Mason and Evelyn Morris had taken over the "Greasy Spoon." Evelyn Garrison had been elected queen of the Cotton Festival with Sarah Mabe and Rosemary Patton as attendants. Finally, I left the fortune teller. Outside the booth I met Lucy Maud Kibler, secretary to the Governor of Florida. I wandered on down to Carolyn Kibler's drug store. There I met Dorothy Alexander, Hazel Annis, and Lola Mae Beck, secretaries who were off for lunch. Nell Cuthbertson and Lucy Clontz were soda-jerkers.

On my way back home to New York, I stopped in Morganton and found that Marcus Erwin had been elected mayor and lawyer Ervin Connelly was head of the city garbage commission. Melvin Digh had taken over the Kirksey Funeral Home and was half owner of the Caldwell Hotel, run by Ernest Williams, prominent young bachelor. Geraldine Buff was head of the dining room. There I found Betty Jean Berry, who had just obtained a divorce from her third husband, who was now married to Hope Williams. In the next room I found another of my old friends, Audrey Bolick, who was now the world's champion typist.

As I started from the hotel I was bumped headlong into by Billie Gordon Smith from which collision I became the victim of a broken arm. I was rushed to Grace Hospital, where Claudia Setzer was head nurse and had as her charming student nurses, Helen Rader, Beatrice Ross, Vonnie Sanders, and Charlotte Setzer. The second day I was honored by the visit of Nadine Gunter, city florist. While I was recuperating, I was sent by Dr. Carl Harris to the home of Mae Comer Osborne, who was married to a farmer. With the cordiality of my hostess and the cook, Katherine Hern, I was soon able to travel home.

Gathering my wits and settling down to the same old routine was very refreshing, but my life for the past few months had been thrilling and I hoped that all the classes that graduated from M. H. S. had been as prosperous as the one of '44.

BETTY COPE, *Prophet.*

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# *Going Forward*

*We, the Class of '44,*
*Leaving our school behind,*
*Are going out into the world*
*To see what we can find.*

*On our graduation day,*
*Before we have to go,*
*We want to thank the teachers,*
*For everything we know.*

*They've tried to help us study*
*For what we are to be,*
*They've taught us history, English, math,*
*Health and geometry.*

*Many of us may not be back—*
*There's so much work to do*
*We must defeat an enemy,*
*And build a new world, too.*

*Success is the city; toil, the road;*
*From here we go alone.*
*But we hope we'll be remembered*
*Long after we are gone.*

CAROLYN KIBLER.

1. "Kenny."
2. She saves us from starvation.
3. What's the rush, boys?
4. What's so funny, Libby?
5. Blow it out, Edna.
6. What came with the car, Sarah?
7. You talk too much, Maxine.
8. Riding along.
9. The youngsters.
10. That moron!
11. Luscious-lips!!
12. Something happen, Miss Brooks?

# SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

The "Class" of 1944

MOST ORIGINAL
DOROTHY FARR
JUBIN LANE

MOST INTELLECTUAL
VIRGINIA LEONHARDT
HAROLD MICHAELS

WITTIEST
HILDA KINCAID
BLAKE WATSON

BEST LOOKING AND PRETTIEST
ESTALEEN DIGH
ERVIN CONNELLY

MOST ATHLETIC
BETTY MAE COPE
BOBBY SIMPSON

# SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

The "Class" of 1944

MOST POPULAR
HAZEL GREENE
EDGAR READ

MOST PLEASING PERSONALITY
AGNES W. BOWERS
JUBIN LANE

BEST ALL ROUND
AGNES BOWERS
EDGAR READ

BEST DRESSED
ANNIE JEAN HUDSON
WALT GREENE

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
ANNIE JEAN HUDSON
HAROLD MICHAELS

# LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

WE, THE SENIOR CLASS OF 1944, of the renowned institution of Morganton High School, being wholly sane in mind and optimistic toward the future, do make the following disposals of our worthy properties and acquisitions. We do this in anticipation of the inevitable parting which is upon us in following the way of all mankind.

We will to Mrs. Carter, for her waste basket, all the epistles and book reports written in her English IV classes.

Hazel Green gives to Rebecca Morris five of her many boy friends and also her popularity.

Fred Patton wills his curly hair to Jack Leonard.

Jimmy Alexander leaves his ability to keep neat notebooks and clean papers for all who want to borrow to Bill Moore.

Ray Berry wills his excess weight to Bill Duncan.

Mary Billings, Betty Alice Bowers, and Agnes Bowers will their musical talent to Guy Duncan. With all that talent Guy should take Crosby's place soon.

Jack Browning leaves his cigarettes to Roy Buff.

Dorothy Alley gives to Ann Baker her ability to play basketball.

Leighton Harbison wills his way with the women to Henry Wilson, and how we think he needs it!!

Phoebe Duckworth wills her voice to Edna Fox.

Maxine Mull and Jean Brittain leave to the Junior girls all the boys. They've had their pick now —help yourself!

Billy Crites, Vance Hoke, Carl Harris, Edwin Harbison, Junior Fox, Bobby Joe Fisher, Marcus Ervin, Finley Bradshaw, Fred Bowie, Jack Williams, Charles Winters, Vester Lee Williams, Murray Rhodes, Clarence Turner, Jimmy Oxford, David McGimsey, Milton Coffey, and Hobart Kimel will to the Junior boys their sly tricks and also their ability to hear and heed the faculty.

Leroy Wall leaves all the chewing gum on the bottom of the back desks in Room 2 to that "Jaw Stretcher," Tommy White.

Katherine Hern wills to Marjorie Shuffler her daily letter from the Army in case the Navy doesn't equal the Army.

Ervin Connelly gives his looks to Grier Buff. He asks that Grier use them to a good advantage.

Neal Keeter wills her ability to fake an engagement to Rita Hern. Watch it, Rita! It's leap year.

Eugene Whisnant wills his laughing eyes to Bill Sain.

Margaret Phillips leaves her tactful ways with people and the piano keys to Caroline McGuirk.

Charles Whestine wills his historic mind to William McFadden.

Jean Watlington gives her shortness to Roberta Koster.

Nell Cuthbertson, Frances Glenn, Nadine Gunter, Helen Epley, and Faye Dale leave their jobs in the dime store to any Junior girls who happen to be lucky enough to qualify for the position as clerks. Evelyn Morris and Sophia Davis also leave two vacant jobs at Kincaid's Grocery Store.

Paul Mabe wills his ability to sleep in class to Hugh Williams.

Vonnie Sanders leaves to Marie Garrison her lone farmer boy friend. Good luck, Marie!

Bill Rusmisell's typing ability goes to Peyton Whisnant.

Harold Michaels wills to Alexander Fleming his title as "most intellectual Senior boy."

Elizabeth McCall gives to Mozelle Rader her electrician.

Nancy McCurry wills her pleasing personality to Mary Lee Crook.

Mae Comer Osborne, Harriet McLean, Lucy Maud Kibler, Martha Ross, Billie Gordon Smith, Nancy Carter, and Jane Crouch leave to all their neatness in appearance and work.

Hilda Kincaid wills to Dottee Kirksey all her witty sayings.

Edith Hoyle and Mable Dale leave their truck rides during school hours to Gladys Garrison and Edith Houston.

Virginia Branch, Francis Newton, Fred Causby, Ralph Harbison, John Moore, and Melvin Mabe will the twelfth grade to all studious Seniors who wish to keep the ball rolling.

Elbert Golightly leaves to Harold Jones his height and black hair.

Edgar Read wills to Denver Brendle his roll as "Senior Romeo." Good luck, Denver!

Carolyn Kibler's ability to jitterbug goes to Margaret Bickle.

Josephine Fox, Virginia Leonhardt, Lucy Clontz, and Mary Catherine Connelly will their ability to study and learn to Maxine Satterwhite, Bobbie Sue Walker, and Maxine Taylor.

Eveline Singleton, Helen Rader, and Betty Lee Oxford will to Cornelia Loven and Bertha Ashton their dramatic talent. They should hit Hollywood soon, and no kidding!

Floy Buff gives her black hair and brown eyes and even her swell personality to Elsie Faye Pearson.

Josephine Mabe leaves to Gladys Whitner all her outside acquaintances, and Gladys also falls heir to Dorothy Summers' big blue eyes.

Jubin Lane wills to Mack Beach all his originality; especially in spelling.

Lois Throneburg leaves her sports ability to Presley Clay.

Blake Watson's wittiness goes to Lawrence Harrison.

Pearl Smith wills to Betty Parks her calm and quiet ways.

Bobby Simpson wills to Kenneth England his ability to carry away all the honors in sports.

Betty Sue Gaston wills her tall, slim figure and red hair to Helen Jaynes.

Betty Ann Harrill wills her neatness to Annie Pearl Crawley.

Betty Mae Cope leaves her job as torch bearer for Bill Darby to Clara Bow Roland. Don't let that torch go out, Clara. Betty has kept it burning for a long time.

Tommy Corley leaves to Ross Lane his ability to "apple-polish" the faculty.

John Oxford wills his witty personality to Clarence Williams. Clarence, don't forget John always gets the last word.

Estaleen Digh wills her pleasing personality and curly hair to Elizabeth Phillips.

Marie Duckworth, Evelyn Garrison, and Claudia Setzer will the newcomers to Moore General and all the old ones they don't want, to Doris Powell, Ruth Stevenson, and Rassie Lingafelt.

Annie Jean Hudson leaves her personality, and school girl complexion to Mary Hurt.

Thurman Watts gives the management of the Mimosa Soda Shoppe to Jimmy Cash.

Sarah Mabe wills her skill at bowling to Nan Davis. She also leaves her extra dates when she's in a jam.

Hazel Annis, Dorothy Alexander, and Audrey Bolick leave their quiet ways to Martha Bigham, Ann Clark, and Lucile Shumate.

Betty Beach wills to Joyce Woodbury her ability to collect pictures from all branches of the service.

Lola Mae Beck leaves her shortness to Ruby Hood.

Aileen Branch gives to Evelyn Carter the privilege of greeting everyone in the mornings with a solemn "hello."

Keith Durham leaves to J. C. Mitchell all invitations to the classmates parties, but asks that he not start another cold epidemic.

Margie Digh wills her laughing habit to Faith Robinson.

Rose Mary Patton wills to Verona Swenson her personality, and ability to get along with people.

Dorothy Mason wills her big blue eyes to Norma Harris.

Dorothy Jacquins, Christine Hogan, Katherine Franklin, Bertie Lou Fisher, Agnes Fleming, Johnnie Lee Fisher, Evelyn Daves, Faye Conley, Margaret Cannon, Marion Cobb, Frances Cannon, Cleo Burns, Geraldine Buff, Hope Williams, Rachel Whisnant, Betty Williams, Charlotte Setzer, and Beatrice Ross will to all the Juniors their will power to keep out of trouble and be hearable to the faculty.

Wilma Hallyburton wills her love for Vance Holland to Frances Queen. Good luck, Frances!

Ernest Williams, Bill Thompson, Joe Connelly, Melvin Digh, and Walt Green will their ability to break hearts, never bothering to pick up the pieces, to Ted Walker, Charles Chapman, and Joe Golightly.

Having thus made our last dispositions and provided for their legal execution, we do in fear that the relief projects will be discontinued before we graduate, shakily set our hand and seal to this document on this the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and forty-four, in the City of Morganton, County of Burke, State of North Carolina, one of the original thirteen settlements.

*Signed:*

DOROTHY FARR,
*Class Lawyer.*

*Witnessed by:*

MRS. C. C. CARTER,
SWOONATRA,
LUM AND ABNER.

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# THE CLASS OF 1945

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William McFadden
Ann Clarke
Don Van Noppen
Caroline McGuirk
Jimmy Cash
Elizabeth Phillips
Hugh Williams
Dottee Kirksey, *Asst. Chief*
J. C. Mitchell, *Chief*

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Gerald Abshire
Jean Alwran
Jackson Arney
Bertha Ashton
Ann Baker

Mack Beach
Margaret Bickel
Martha Bigham
Angeline Boling
Kelly Bollinger

Jimmy Bowers
Reba Bridges
Grier Buff
Melvin Buff
Roy Buff

Jane Nelson Caldwell
Elva Carswell
Evelyn Carter
Jimmy Cash
Annie Mae Chapman

Charles Clapp
Ann Clarke
Durward Clarke
Doris Conley
Annie Pearl Crawley

Mary Lee Crook
Bill Darby
Nan Davis
Esther Denton
Bill Duncan

Nancy Lee Ervin
Betty Fox
Edna Fox
James Franklin
Gladys Garrison

# THE CLASS OF 1945

Marie Garrison
Max Hallyburton
Norma Harris
Lawrence Harrison
Rita Hern

Edith Houston
Annie Ruth Hoyle
Mary Hurt
Thurman Jenkins
Harold Jones

Helen Hoyle Jones
Bill Keller
Dottee Kirksey
Mary Sidney Landon
Dorothy Lane

Jack Leonard
Mabel Leonard
Hubert Lindsay
Rassie Lingafelt
Dorothy Longshore

Cornelia Loven
Clara Luckadoo
Ruby Mabe
Jackenette Mauldin
Mabel Alice McCall

William McFadden
Caroline McGuirk
J. C. Mitchell
Bill Moore
Joyce Moore

Rebecca Morris
Mary Ida Mull
Elizabeth Orders
Betty Parks
Betty Jean Pearson

# THE CLASS OF 1945

Elsie Faye Pearson
Elizabeth Phillips
Cleo Propst
Frances Queen
Mozelle Rader

Virginia Rayburn
Charles Rhodes
Dan Rhodes
Faith Robinson
Kathleen Rose

Bill Sain
Maxine Satterwhite
Marjorie Shuffler
Lucile Shumate
Estelle Shuping

Jack Smith
Ruth Stephens
Elizabeth Stroupe
Maxine Taylor
Ruth Turner

Don Van Noppen
Bobbie Sue Walker
Carl Webb
Ted West
Bobby Williams

Clarence Williams
Howard Williams
Hugh Williams
Joe Williams
Joyce Woodbury

# THE CLASS OF 1945

## Those Who Were Camera Shy

Jim Anthony
Mildred Barnwell
Wilma Barrier
Bessie Mae Bean
Ruth Bean
Mary Bradshaw
Denver Brendle
Bernice Brittain
Margaret Brittain
Weldon Brittain
Ruby Clay
Justus Dale
Minnie Sue Dale
Marvin Deaton
Earl Digh
Thurman Garrison
Charles Greene
Guerry Hefner
Thomas Jaynes
Wilburn Kincaid
Herbert McNeely
Martha Morgan
Margaret Murray
Harrison Orders
Doris Powell
Norman Powell
Joyce Propst
Betty Robbins
Alvin Roper
Rachel Ross
Hattie Smith
Clarence Swink
Verona Swenson
William Thompson
George Walker
Peyton Whisnant
Tommy White

# THE CLASS OF 1946

Hazel Bollinger
Ruth Buff
Lula Causby
Margaret Causby
Robert Fleming
Roberta Koster
Eula Sanders

## Camera Shy

R. C. Cobb
Dewey Conley
Millard Carswell
Charles Chapman
Harold Fisher
Alexander Fleming
William Fortune
Betsey Hawes
Thomas Hipps
Chester McKowan
Garland Owens
Clara Bow Roland
Annie Smith
Carol Waters

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# THE CLASS OF 1947

## *Dear Diary:*

*August:* Well, now one hundred twenty-five of us excited boys and girls have started to High School. It's really wonderful!

*September:* After much thought, Diary, we have elected our class officers: President, Cecil Thompson; Vice-President, Frances Jean Hamilton; Secretary, Betty Ann Harrill; Treasurer, Ross Lane. Super, huh?

*January:* Hard work pays! Our skit, "The Machine Age," a portrayal of our teachers, won second prize at Stunt Night.

*April:* I can hardly believe it, but at last we have graduated, with Frances Harbison and Henry Wilson carrying honors as valedictorian and saluditorian.

*August:* Here we are again—back at school. Still Freshmen—but we feel right at home. There are ninety-one more of us now, because lots of pupils have come in from Salem, Mull, Oak Hill, and Chesterfield.

*April:* The end of another school year. Although we'll miss the gang we're all looking forward to our vacation and loads of fun. Spiffy, eh, Diary?

# THE CLASS OF 1947

MISS COPELAND'S ROOM — MRS. GOODMAN'S ROOM

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## MEMBERS

Lois Alley
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Aileen Black
Jane Brown
Wayne Clontz
Sara Connelly
Edna Faye Denton
Evelyn Franklin
Joanne Gilbert
Mary Sue Harrill
Ruth Jamison
Edna Lou Lewis
Robert Melton
Nell Mull
Elita Mae Orders
Lewis Paschall
Ruth Pruett
Fred Puckett
Ted Seagle
Elgioa Shepard
Vernon Snipes
Norma Stamey
Betty Jo Watts
Herbert Whisnant
Sara Whisnant
Carolyn Yount
Martha Allman
Everett Bingham
Clara Kate Boggs
Katherine Causby
Mary Katherine Clontz
Arlen Cohen
Ida Jean Cowan
Guy Duncan
Blanche Freeman
Ruth Grayhead
Virginia Hedden
Tommy Keaton
Billie Anne Kester
Huldah Loven
David Mooney
Alice Morrow
Rachael Nantz
Betty Puett
Edward Puett
Ellene Sanders
Truett Seagle
Peggy Shepherd
Nadine Smith
Winfred Snipes
Viola Stephens
Rex Whisnant
Mamie Williams

# THE CLASS OF 1947

MR. PARHAM'S ROOM — MISS TETER'S ROOM

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MEMBERS

Carroll Brittain
Raymond Clark
Robert Clontz
J. D. Dale
Phillip Greene
John Harrison
Harvey Hawkins
Clyde Hull
Nellus Keaton
Blanton Leonhardt
Charles Nantz
Charles Rhodes
Winfred Roper
Paul Scott
Harold Smith
Quentin Smith
Sanford Stephens
Tommy Walton
Ben Williams
Kitty Sue Beck
Wilhelmina Breedlove
David Carpenter
Lucille Carpenter
Nell Clarke
Thelma Connelly
Jean Darby
Betty Fleming
Betty Garrison
Jean Murphy Harbison
Annie Sue Ingle
Sara Lane
Jean McCormick
Gregory Moga
J. B. Mull
Mary Mull
Jean Perkins
Carl Pipes
Roel Poteet
Wilma Ritchie
L. A. Rockett
Betty Leigh Setzer
Ray Sigmon
Sara Thompson
Herbert Walker
Eva Whisnant
Jimmy Williams
Ruth Wilson

# THE CLASS OF 1947

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Lena Benfield
Jauanita Bridges
Virginia Carswell
Merle Clay
Rosemary Davis
Clarence Duckworth
Lela Fleming
Ruby Garrison
Bobby Hallyburton
Betty Ann Harrill
Harry Hogan
Betty Jean Leonard
Grace McCurry
Naomi Mull
Nelson Norton
Catherine Orders
Martha Faye Powell
Willie Propst
Margaret Rusmiselle
Bernice Shephard
Billy Simpson
Billy Smallwood
Kathrine Walker
Ruth Whisnant
Clarence Widiner
Mary Wortman
Henry Wilson

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Shirley Bowie
Aileen Cannon
Maxine Clarke
Irene Conley
Betty Sue Dale
Elizabeth Fisher
H. S. Fleming
Addell Garrison
Frances Harbison
Vivian Knox
Leroy Leonhart
Alice Maddrey
D. Z. Mull
Kenneth Phillips
Betty Pitts
Bill Queen
Carroll Robbins
Lucy Saunders
Cathryn Smith
Dorothy Taylor
Cecil Thompson
Dorothy Whisnant
Dick Williams

# THE CLASS OF 1947

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Lavenia Barrier
Kermit Brittain
Nell Burnette
Ruth Clark
Davis Collins
Elizabeth England
Ned Ferrie
Nellie Jean Gantt
Pauline Gantt
Mollie Joe Hudson
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Fred Lane
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Iva Jean Mabe
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Sue Newton
Pauline Patton
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Effie Saunders
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Catherine Whisnant
Billy Joe Williams
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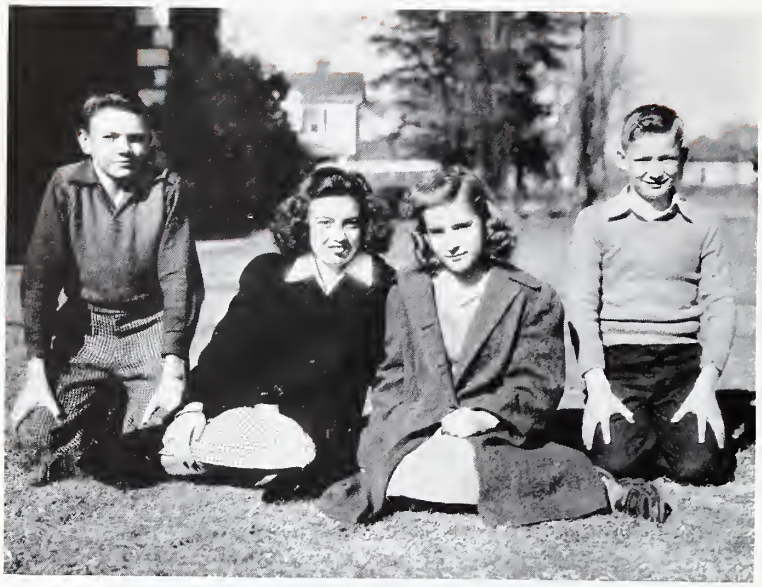

## Baby's Bosses

*President*
STANLEY MOORE

*Vice-President*
SARA BREEDEN

*Secretary*
NINA BELL LANE

*Treasurer*
EARL CAUSBY

# HISTORY OF BABY 1948

BORN: August 26, 1943, Morganton, North Carolina.

WEIGHT: 11,160 pounds.

PLAYMATES: Sophomores and Seventh Grade.

BABY'S FIRST PRAYER: Dear God, please help me to pass Math this year.

GIFTS: Advice from the Teachers and several sets of rules from the Principal.

BABY'S NURSES: Miss Howell, Miss Penland, Mrs. Hager, and Mrs. Lippard.

FIRST RESOLUTION: We, the Babies of Morganton High School, do hereby resolve to refrain from going more than 35 miles an hour to the Lunch Room.

LESLIE ERVIN.

# THE CLASS OF 1948

MISS PENLAND'S ROOM

MEMBERS

Clarence Arney
Juanita Benfield
Marjorie Bowers
Sara Breeden
Charles Carter
Earline Clontz
Margaret Cuthburtson
James Davis
Frances Easom
Johnny Fisher
Sara Fox
Mary Louise Grady
Bobby Harbison
Robert Hudson
Laura Ann Jaynes
Nina Belle Mabe
Stanley Moore
Maxine Morris
Genevieve Murphy
Ralph Owens
Taru Palmer
Phifer Pless
Bobby Reed
Nancy Sain
Harry Simpson
Virginia Singleton
Edward Teague
Joe Ward
Ann Warlick
Allen Williams

# SUPERLATIVES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Best Looking* | Stanley Moore | Sara Breeden |
| *Wittiest* | Joe Ward | Frances Easom |
| *Most Popular* | James Davis | Marjorie Bowers |
| *Best All-Round* | Allen Williams | Maxine Morris |
| *Most Studious* | Charles Carter | Maxine Morris |
| *Laziest* | Bobby Reed | Virginia Singleton |
| *Best Personality* | Bobby Harbison | Nancy Sain |

# THE CLASS OF 1948

MISS VIRGINIA HOWELL'S ROOM

MEMBERS

Malcolm Allman
Hazel Barrier
Barbara Bishop
Betty Sue Braswell
Kelly Brendle
Paul Caldwell
Helen Carswell
Earl Causby
Jimmy Connelly
Sue Curlee
Sarah Lou Davis
Tate Ervin
Peggy Fox
Eva Garrison
Frank Garrison
Anna Lee Henderson
Maurice Hill
W. A. Hord
Dorothy Hurt
Max Jaquins
Nina Belle Lane
Betty Jean McKnight
Frieda Mull
Evelyn Newton
Robert Phillips
Gerald Queen
Carolyn Ramsey
Fred Secrest
Ray Spencer
Trudy Thompson
Harold Turner
Bobby Watson
Betty Jean Williams

# SUPERLATIVES

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| *Best Looking* | Jimmy Connelly | Nina Belle Lane |
| *Most Athletic* | W. A. Hord | Betty Jean Williams |
| *Best All-Round* | Earl Causby | Nina Belle Lane |
| *Wittiest* | Max Jaquins | Betty Jean Williams |
| *Most Studious* | Earl Causby | Helen Carswell |
| *Best Personality* | Paul Caldwell | Sarah Lou Davis |
| *Best Sport* | Paul Caldwell | Sue Curlee |

# THE CLASS OF 1948

MRS. HAGER'S ROOM

MEMBERS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Charles Adams | Leslie Ervin | Flora Kibler | Oliver Poteet |
| Craven Austin | Marguerite Faulkner | Joan La Favers | Roy Seagle |
| Odessa Branch | Paul Fox | Durant Long | Phyllis Smallwood |
| Elmer Buchann | Vonnie Gallion | Jean McGhinnis | Wink Smith |
| Agnes Crook | Symboline Grady | Margaret Morrow | Craig Stroup |
| Viola Dale | Mary L. Graham | Zula Mae Nettles | Gross Waters |
| Powell Davis | L. C. Harrell | Clarence Orders | Dereama Whisenant |
| Evelean Denton | Hazel Holland | Martha Patton | |

# SUPERLATIVES

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|---|---|---|
| *Best Looking* | Charles Adams | Agnes Crook |
| *Wittiest* | Clarence Orders | Marguerite Faulkner |
| *Most Popular* | Roy Seagle | Dereama Whisenant |
| *Best All-Round* | Charles Adams | Leslie Ervin |
| *Most Studious* | Oliver Poteet | Phyllis Smallwood |
| *Most Athletic* | Craven Austin | Jean McGhinnis |
| *Best Personality* | Wink Smith | Phyllis Smallwood |
| *Most Likely to Succeed* | Durant Long | Dereama Whisenant |

# THE CLASS OF 1948

MRS. LIPPARD'S ROOM

MEMBERS

Bob Anthony
Lois Banner
Rama Beck
Clarissa Blackburn
Jack Boughman
Helena Braswell
Roy Carlton
Martha Chaffee
Edith Curtis
Silas Dale
Marqueen Duckworth
Mack Feimster
Sadie Fox
Julia Garrison
Joe Gibbs
Helen Hice
Clifton Horton
Grace John
Lorine Ledford
Jimmy McFadden
Leona Moore
Mary Alice Morris
James Moses
Billie Jo Mundy
Ella Mae Oxford
Preston Pitts
Mickey Rankin
Evelyn Saulman
Dick Sigmon
Berlin Stine
Jack Turner
Vivian Turner
Charlene Williams

# SUPERLATIVES

*Best Looking* . . . . . Lorine Ledford, Bob Anthony
*Wittiest* . . . . . Dick Sigmon
*Most Popular* . . . . . Martha Chaffee
*Best All-Round* . . . . . Billie Jo Mundy
*Most Studious* . . . . . Berlin Stine
*Laziest* . . . . . Jack Boughman
*Best Personality* . . . . . Billie Jo Mundy

# Activities

# THE 1944

MARTHA ROSS
*Editor-in-Chief*

## Editorial Staff

OUR WORK DONE, we sit back and await the day when the CAT'S TALE will emerge from the press. Collecting pictures, pecking on typewriters, and preparing material for the publishers was no easy task, but we finally completed our job, and had fun doing it. We sincerely hope that the annual is all you expect it to be, and that you will enjoy it as much as we enjoyed working on it.

EDITORIAL STAFF

*Standing:* Evelyn Carter, Caroline McGuirk, Margaret Phillips, Nancy Carter, Mary Billings, Agnes Bowers, Eveline Singleton, Mrs. Carter.

*Seated:* Martha Ross, Jane Nelson Caldwell, Betty Alice Bowers, Jean Watlington.

# CAT'S TALE

## Business Staff

WHEN YOU SAW US dashing about the building, shaking our heads and frowning over a set of figures, we were wondering *if* and *how* we could raise the money for a second volume of the CAT'S TALE. Getting subscriptions and ads and even sponsoring entertainments took time and effort, but we enjoyed it all. We want to thank you—students, faculty, and friends—for your consideration and loyal support.

EDGAR READ
*Business Manager*

BUSINESS STAFF

*Standing:* Tommy White, William McFadden, Hugh Williams, Milton Coffey, Fred Bowie, Joe Connelly.

*Seated:* Joyce Moore, Edgar Read, Neal Keeter. *Faculty Adviser:* Miss Weber.

# NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

OFFICERS

| *Fall Term* | | *Spring Term* |
|---|---|---|
| EDGAR READ | *President* | AGNES BOWERS |
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| MARY BILLINGS | *Secretary* | PHOEBE DUCKWORTH |
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*Left to Right:* Harold Michaels, Edgar Read, Agnes Bowers, Phoebe Duckworth, Annie Jean Hudson, Mrs. Carter, Mary Billings, Nancy Carter, Betty Alice Bowers, Paul Mabe, Billy Thompson, Lucy Maud Kibler, Martha Ross, Neal Keeter, Virginia Leonhardt, Josephine Fox, Lucy Clontz, Margaret Phillips, Mary Catherine Connelly, Harriet McLean, Jean Watlington.

THE MORGANTON CHAPTER of the National Honor Society was organized on April 18, 1934. Under the supervision of Mrs. Sophia Edwards, the first sponsor, the organization was composed of sixteen charter members—twelve Seniors and four Juniors. Under her guidance the club did much toward the promotion of honesty, leadership, and service among its members.

Since its organization, there have been one hundred and fifty-seven students elected to membership in the Morganton Chapter. Each year the members of the Honor Society sponsor a project to render some service to the school and community. This year they have worked in the principal's office, checking the absence list, inquiring about and sending assignments to absent students. They have continued the custom of encouraging Freshmen and Sophomores to maintain a high record of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. During the third quarter, members of the Honor Society conducted after school review classes for students who were weak or behind in Senior subjects.

# HI-Y

## OFFICERS

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*Chaplain* . . . . . JOE CONNELLY

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## MEMBERS

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| Marcus Ervin | Tommy Keaton | J. C. Mitchell |
| Bobby Simpson | Ervin Connelly | Hugh Williams |
| Joe Connelly | Mr. Peterson | Don Van Noppen |
| Rex Whisnant | Edgar Read | William McFadden |
| Bobby Williams | Walt Greene | Tommy Corley |

THIS YEAR THE HI-Y CLUB snapped out of its inactive state and developed into a highly functioning organization. The new members taken in this year were "Pro" Williams, "Mope" Van Noppen, Bobby Williams, William McFadden, Rex Whisnant, Tommy Keaton, and J. C. Mitchell.

In December, Edgar Read, Tommy Corley, Marcus Ervin, and Ervin Connelly attended the annual Hi-Y Conference in Winston-Salem. They obtained information of much value to themselves and their club. At Christmas the Hi-Y provided baskets of food, fruits, and toys for needy families in the county.

Since the beginning of the year the Hi-Y Club has been steadily gaining the respect and admiration of the faculty and the students. We hope the club of next year will carry on the good work.

# TRI-HI-Y

OFFICERS

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*Vice-President* . . . . . BETTY ALICE BOWERS
*Secretary* . . . . . FAITH ROBINSON
*Treasurer* . . . . . MARGARET PHILLIPS
*Adviser* . . . . . MISS MCCLURE
*Adviser* . . . . . MRS. HALL
*Adviser* . . . . . MISS BARBOUR

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*Third Row:* Betty Parks, Rebecca Morris, Betty Lee Oxford, Nancy McCurry, Jean Brittain, Jane Crouch, Martha Ross, Carolyn Kibler, Jean Watlington, Jane Nelson Caldwell, Annie Jean Hudson.

*Fourth Row:* Mozelle Rader, Estaleen Digh, Mae Comer Osborne, Floy Buff, Elizabeth Phillips, Rosemary Patton, Evelyn Garrison, Claudia Setzer, Roberta Koster.

*Fifth Row:* Elizabeth McCall, Agnes Bowers, Ann Baker, Marie Garrison, Margaret Bickel, Lucy Maud Kibler, Mary Billings.

*Sixth Row:* Virginia Leonhardt, Nell Cuthbertson, Jean Alwran, Dorothy Farr, Ann Clarke.

*Seventh Row:* Harriet McLean, Betty Sue Gaston, Neal Keeter.

THE TRI-HI-Y, organized this year by Junior and Senior girls, has proved itself invaluable in a very short time. The members have attempted to carry out the purpose of the organization by creating, maintaining, and extending high standards of Christian character. The Tri-Hi-Y sponsored the sale of infantile paralysis tags, and the sale of War Bonds in school during the Fourth War Loan Drive.

# BAND MEMBERS

Jimmy Alexander
Mack Beach
Bonnie Beach
Rama Lee Beck
Barbara Bishop
Ruby Bollinger
Denver Brendle
Jane Nelson Caldwell
Paul Caldwell
Arlen Cohen
Doris Conley
Thelma Conley
Agnes Crook
Nan Davis
Sophia Davis
A. C. Elmore
Nancy Lee Erwin
Marguerite Faulkner
H. S. Fleming
Jack Fleming
Edna Fox
Millie Fox
Evelyn Garrison
Gladys Garrison
Edna F. Glenn
Maurice Hill
Edith Houston
Laura A. Jaynes
Thomas Jaynes
Harold Jones
Vivian Knox
Paul Mabe
John Moore
Maxine Morris
Evelyn Newton
Martha Powell
Murray Rhodes
Maxine Satterwhite
Fred Secrest
Claudia Setzer
Walter Setzer
Nadine Smith
Norma Stamey
Dereama Whisnant
Tommy White
Clarence Williams
Don Van Noppen

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Rama Lee Beck

Sophia Dische

Frances Glenn

# F. F. A.

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MEMBERS OF THE MORGANTON CHAPTER of the Future Farmers of America are really looking forward to the coming years by studying all about agriculture and livestock raising. They maintain an active chapter by participating in district and state livestock and seed judging contests. By aiding in the farm labor shortage problem, in the War Bond and Stamp drive, and in the salvage campaign, this patriotic organization is contributing its share toward our country's victory. Also the boys are becoming worthwhile citizens of our nation while living up to the club's motto:

*"Learning to do . . Doing to learn . . Earning to live . . Living to serve."*

## MEMBERS

Jim Anthony
Carol Brittain
Jack Browning
Melvin Buff
Fred Causby
Charles Chapman
Raymond Clark
Robert Clontz
Milton Coffey
J. D. Dale
Justice Dale
Marvin Deaton
Earl Digh
Melvin Digh
Keith Durham
Harold Fisher
William Fortune
Thurman Garrison
Joe Golightly
Charles Greene
Harvey Hawkins
Clyde Hull
Nellus Keaton
Herbert McNeely
Harrison Orders
Jimmy Oxford
John Oxford
Norman Powell
Charles Rhodes
Dan Rhodes
Alvin Roper
Winfred Roper
Harold Smith
Quentin Smith
Sanford Stevens
William Thompson
Ted Walker
Ben Williams

# THE MORGANTON MERRYMAKERS

*Left to Right:* Kathryn Franklin, Margaret Causby, Minnie Sue Dale, Cornelia Loven, Betty Lee Oxford, Eveline Singleton, Helen Rader, Hilda Kincaid, Frances Glenn, Estaleen Digh, Bertha Ashton.

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THE DRAMATIC ORGANIZATION in high school is called the Morganton Merrymakers. Officers: President, Helen Rader; Vice-President, Eveline Singleton; Secretary-Treasurer, Estaleen Digh. Miss Gray is the dramatics director.

The Merrymakers have made improvements on the stage by building in the walls around the arch and by purchasing a cyclorama and a handsome blue velvet curtain. These improvements have added a great deal to the appearance of the auditorium.

A program of one-act plays was given to raise money in the Third War Loan Drive. Students who bought Stamps or Bonds during the week of the plays were admitted.

# STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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*Adviser* . . . . . MRS. HALL

OUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT is one of the most respected organizations in school. Not only does it work toward bettering the welfare of the school, but it has also brought about more cooperation between the students and the faculty. Each student in M. H. S. is a part of the Student Government, although members from the different classes and homerooms are elected to form the Student Council and the House of Representatives.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Margaret Phillips
Joe Connelly
Dottee Kirksey
Billy Moore
Cecil Thompson
Frances Collett
Marjorie Bowers
Paul Caldwell

HOMEROOM REPRESENTATIVES

Jean Alwran
Barbara Bishop
Ruby Bollinger
Aileen Branch
Betty Alice Bowers
Jane Nelson Caldwell
Raymond Clark
Ruby Clay
Melvin Digh
Elizabeth England
Mack Feimster
Joanne Gilbert
L. C. Harrill
Mabel Leonard
Alice Maddrey
Jean McCormick
Maxine Morris
Norman Powell
Edgar Read
Martha Ross
Billy Smallwood
Verona Swenson
Dereama Whisnant

# MONOGRAM CLUB

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*Vice-President* . . . . . CHARLES WHETSTINE
*Secretary-Treasurer* . . . . . DOROTHY ALLEY
*Program Chairman* . . . . . BILL DARBY
*Adviser* . . . . . COACH PETERSON
*Adviser* . . . . . MISS MCCLURE

THE MONOGRAM CLUB, in which membership is obtained by winning a letter in some major sport, is one of the most active organizations in promoting good sportsmanship in school, and thus throughout life. The Club has sponsored many activities, of which the most important was the Homecoming Game celebration.

The meetings are held on the third Tuesday night of each month, at which time business is transacted and there is a social hour.

MEMBERS

Bill Moore
Hilda Kincaid
Tommy Corley
Edgar Read
Joe Connelly
Walt Greene
Don Van Noppen
Hugh Williams
Leroy Wall
Fred Patton
Bill Duncan
Miss McClure
Bobby Simpson
Dorothy Alley
Charles Whetstine
Leighton Harbison
Lois Throneburg
Ray Berry
Hazel Greene
John Oxford
Betty Cope
Bill Darby
Ruth Buff
Henry Wilson
Elva Carswell
Marie Duckworth
Mr. Peterson
Hobart Kimel
Elbert Golightly
Roy Buff

YEA! MORGANTON!

# THE CAULDRON

YEA! WILDCATS!

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### DRAMATIC CLASS PRESENTS PLAYS FOR STAMP AND BOND DRIVE

Miss Gray's dramatics class presented two one-act plays in chapel October 15, to raise money for the stamp an
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Frances Glenn—
Betty Oxford—g
Helen Rader —
dress.
Bertha Ashton
Estaleen Digh —
dress.
Ray Hallyburto
dress.
Eveline Singleton — wedding gown.
The bell hops were Katherine Franklin and Margaret Causby.
The second play was "Elmer" with Bill Moore playing the leading role of Elmer Collier. Eve-

### TO HAVE CAT'S TALE AGAIN

The Cat's Tale Staff

Well, we're at it again! After lacking our brain at the first of the year concerning the possibility of an annual, we were informed by the Lassiter Press
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### WHAT HAVE YOU?

The Dramatic Club is asking for stage furnishings. Students who have old articles not needed

### THANKSGIVING 1943

Over the thundering of a gun,
A lad began to pray;
Under the scorching autumn sun,
On this Thanksgiving day.

"Dear Heavenly Father, on earth and above,
I lift my prayer to thee.
I'm thankful for thy lasting love
That watches over me.

"I'm glad that I can see the sky,
And feel the glowing sun;
For when it comes my time to die,
I hope my work is done.

"My folks back home are thankful, too,
Their letters say it's so.
And I'm sure that they'll be praying too
No matter where I go.

"The boys here are homesick.
But they're thankful just the same.
You could tell it by the way they looked
When reinforcements came.

"We have a long hard task ahead;
We're thankful we can fight
Until the enemy has fled,
And might has lost to right."

### UPPER CLASSES HOLD MAGAZINE CONTEST

The Curtis Publications were sold by the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades. These grades were divided into two sections, Army and Navy. The second day of the campaign, th
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The doors were opened at 7:30, and as the guests entered, a ghost, Craven Austin, greeted them. The students were then

### M. H. S. WELCOMES NEW TEACHERS

In this, the first 1943 edition of the *Cauldron*, we wish to welcom
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Miss Myrna Hallock girls' physical education teacher, is from Oakboro, N. C. She graduated from Appalachian State Teachers College last year. She majored in science and physical education in college and is interested in the build and the func-

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*Editor* . . . . . JEAN WATLINGTON

*Business Manager* . . . . . EVELINE SINGLETON

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Mary Billings
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Phoebe Duckworth
Betty Sue Gaston
Neal Keeter
Carolyn Kibler
Lucy Maud Kibler
J. C. Mitchell
Don Van Noppen
Margaret Phillips
Edgar Read
Faith Robinson
Martha Ross
Maxine Taylor
Ruth Turner

# Athletics

# FOOTBALL

*First Row:* Fred Causby, Walt Greene, Rex Whisnant, Ross Lane, Henry Wilson, Guy Duncan.

*Second Row:* Ted Hairfield, Junior Fox, Leighton Harbison, Bobby Simpson, Captain; John Oxford, Co-Captain; Ray Berry, Charles Whestine, Elbert Golightly.

*Third Row:* Don Van Noppen, Manager; Bill Darby, Edgar Read, Bobby Williams, Otis R. Peterson, Coach; Leroy Wall, W. A. Hord, Raymond Clark, Hugh Williams, Manager.

*Fourth Row:* Jackson Poteat, Dick Williams, Bill Duncan, Hobart Kimel, Tommy Corley, Joe Connelly, Fred Patton.

## SCHEDULE

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| M. H. S. | 40—Mineral Springs | 0 |
| M. H. S. | 6—Charlotte | 25 |
| *M. H. S. | 0—Lincolnton | 6 |
| M. H. S. | 7—Canton | 33 |
| *M. H. S. | 20—Marion | 18 |
| *M. H. S. | 38—N. C. S. D. | 0 |
| *M. H. S. | 0—Lenoir | 18 |
| *M. H. S. | 6—Shelby | 12 |
| *M. H. S. | 21—Mooresville | 0 |
| M. H. S. | 0—Hickory | 13 |
| *M. H. S. | 0—Barium Springs | 12 |
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* Conference Games.

# 1943

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JUNIOR
JACK
PIG
CHARLIE
BUD
GOLIGHTLY
BUTTER
FRED
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LARD
HOBE

# BOYS' BASKETBALL

Bill Darby, Henry Wilson, Kenneth England, Edgar Read, Captain; Dick Williams, Bobby Simpson, Mr. Peterson, Coach; Sanford Stephens, Carl Pipes, Ben Mull, Tommy Keaton, Thomas Hipps. *Kneeling*, Raymond Clark, Manager.

## SEASON'S SUMMARY

THE WILDCATS had a very successful season on the hardwoods in spite of their win-lose record. The team always found their opposition much taller than they, and that goes a long way in basketball. This spirited quint averaged only five feet eight inches with their shoes on. The outstanding feature of the season was the steady improvement of the team, which was climaxed by an upset win over Hickory High in the Western Conference Tournament. Read was high scorer for the season, followed by Darby and Pipes in that order. Simpson and England proved their worth as outstanding floor men. Coach Peterson definitely established himself as "tops" in the art of coaching basketball.

## RESULTS

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| M. H. S. | 21 | Lenoir | 19 |
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| M. H. S. | 30 | Hickory | 60 |

## VALDESE TOURNAMENT

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| M. H. S. | 23 | St. Stephens | 44 |

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| M. H. S. | 29 | Hickory | 27 |
| M. H. S. | 19 | N. C. S. D. | 28 |
| Total Points | 290 | Total Points | 364 |

# GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Earleen Pearson, Lois Alley, Margaret Cuthbertson, Lois Throneburg, Betty Mae Cope, Elva Carswell, Earleen Black, Nell Cuthbertson, Miss Hathcock, Mr. Greenlee, Ann Baker, Dorothy Taylor, Dorothy Whisnant, Marie Duckworth, Evelyn Garrison, Dorothy Alley, Hilda Kincaid, Ruth Buff.

## SEASON'S SUMMARY

"WESTERN CONFERENCE CHAMPS AGAIN" has been a familiar saying around the school after the basketball season, and this year is no exception. Under the able tutorship of Coach Greenlee, the girls' sextet emerged from the season—not only as conference champs, but also runner-ups in the Valdese Tournament. Over the entire course of their play they suffered defeat only three times, and one of those was by a two point margin. Alley with a ten point a game average and Carswell with a nine point average were the best forwards, along with Duckworth, who was injured late in the year. Captains Cope and Throneburg teamed with either Taylor or Cuthbertson to make one of the most invincible guard aggregations in the state. Alley and Throneburg received special recognition at the Valdese Tournament, being selected on the all-tournament team. Thorneburg also was selected on the beauty queen's court.

## RESULTS

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|---|---|---|---|
| M. H. S. | 17 | —All-Stars | 13 |
| M. H. S. | 42 | —N. C. S. D. | 19 |
| M. H. S. | 24 | —Hickory | 16 |
| M. H. S. | 26 | —Lenoir | 28 |
| M. H. S. | 28 | —All-Stars | 19 |
| M. H. S. | 30 | —N. C. S. D. | 21 |
| M. H. S. | 29 | —Lenoir | 28 |
| M. H. S. | 36 | —Central of Rutherfordton | 18 |
| M. H. S. | 39 | —Central of Rutherfordton | 13 |
| M. H. S. | 22 | —Hickory | 29 |

## VALDESE TOURNAMENT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| M. H. S. | 26 | —Startown | 15 |
| M. H. S. | 30 | —Claremont | 24 |
| M. H. S. | 24 | —Piedmont | 28 |

## WESTERN CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| M. H. S. | 30 | —Hickory | 25 |
| M. H. S. | 30 | —N. C. S. D. | 22 |
| M. H. S. | 34 | —Lenoir | 21 |
| M. H. S. | 18 | —Kings Mountain | 17 |
| Total Points | 487 | Total Points | 374 |

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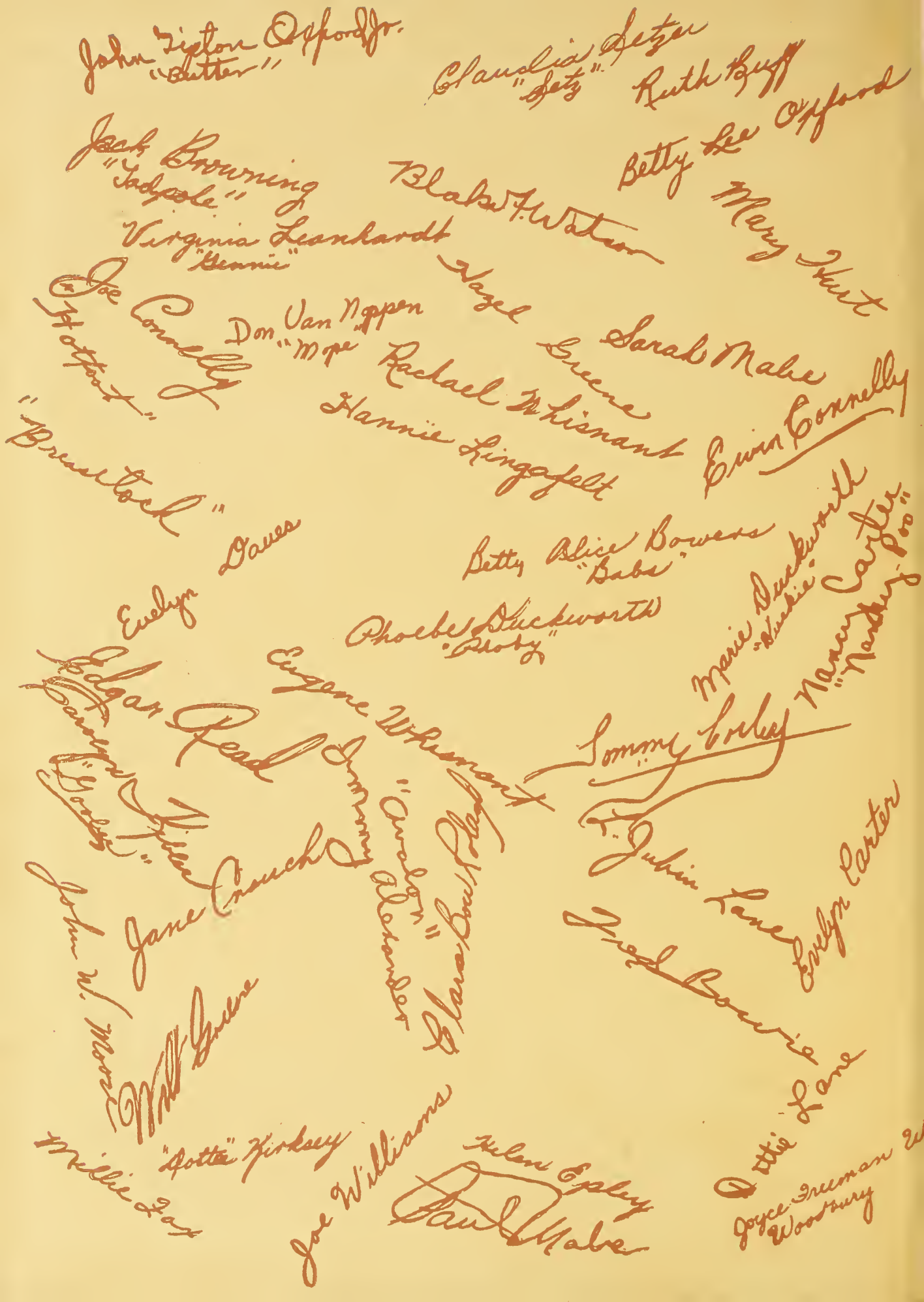
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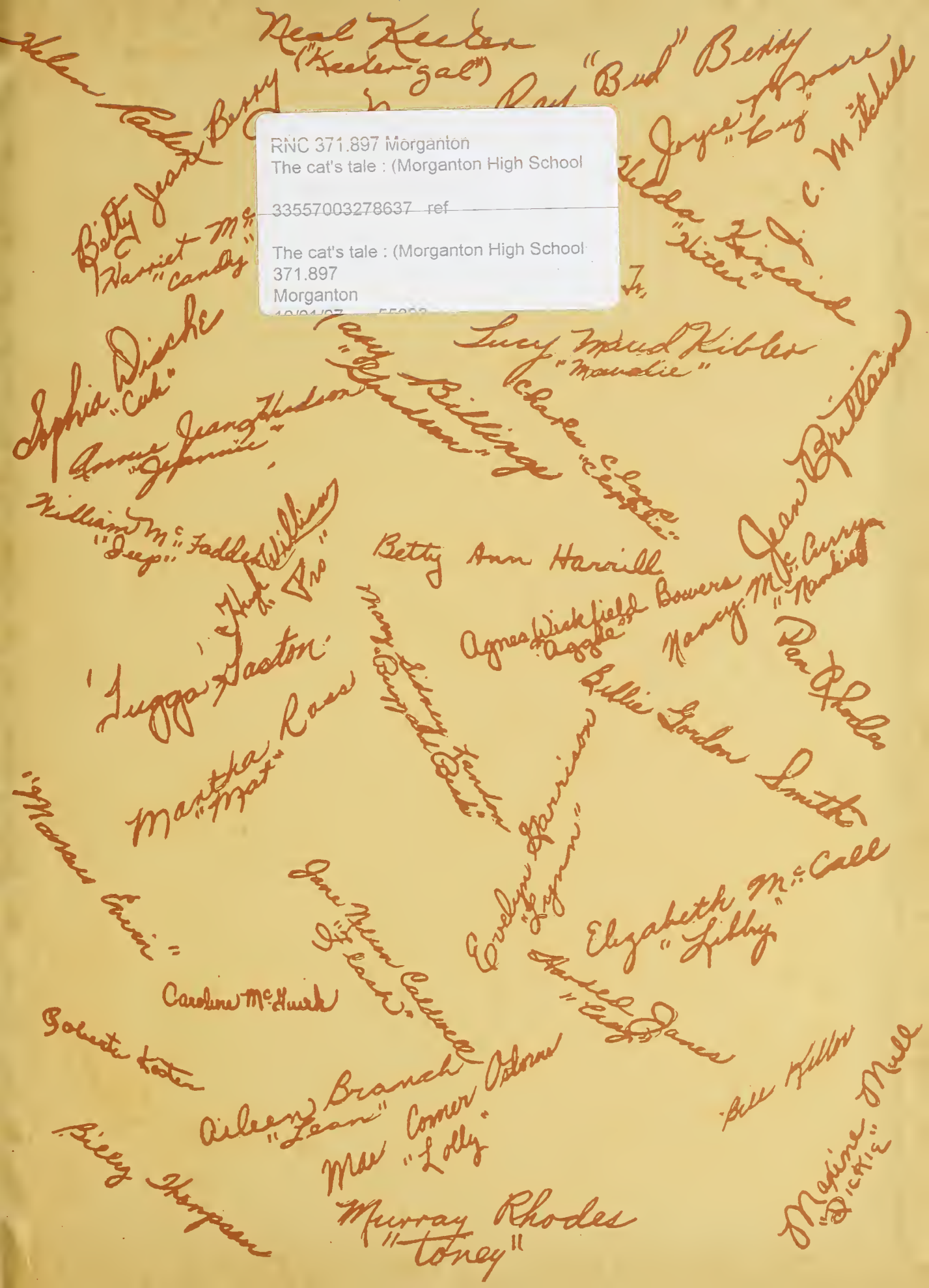

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